



Holy Name Catholic School

Weekly Update

October 7 - 11, 2024

Holy Name Families,

It was so nice to see so many Holy Name families at our Corn Roast/Curriculum last week. As we begin the month of October and prepare for the feast of Thanksgiving, let us remember the many things for which we are grateful for. The Holy Name Staff and Administration would like to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation for the continued support of all our students and families who make our school a special place to learn and grow.

PACE/CCAT Testing: During the week of **October 7-11**, Grade 4 students will participate in a screening process for possible identification as a gifted student and participation in our Program for Academic and Creative Extension (PACE). The test that will be administered is called Canadian Cognitive Abilities Test, which tests thinking and reasoning skills. Students cannot study for this activity, but making sure that your child is well rested is the best preparation.

Cross Country Meet: The Cross Country Meet will be held on **Tuesday October 8th** at Bruce's Mills for our grades 4-8 students. Thank you to the many teachers that have been preparing our students for this meet. Parents are welcome to attend the event on this day. If you wish to pick up your child early on this day, we kindly ask that students return to school and are signed out from school.

Thanksgiving Food Drive: Our Thanksgiving Food Drive will continue until **Wednesday, October 9th** at which time King Township Food Bank will collect all donations, in particular **canned fruits, tuna, canned tomato sauce, Chef Boyardee**. We thank you for your continued support and generosity. As a school community we are happy to collaborate with the Food Bank to support local families in need this Thanksgiving.



Thanksgiving Mass: We are looking forward to our first school mass of this school year. Together with Fr. John we will gather to celebrate Thanksgiving Mass on **Friday, October 11th at 9:30 a.m.** Parents are welcome to attend.

Halloween Dance-A-Thon Fundraiser: Our Catholic School Council, teachers and students are excited to announce our Holy Name Halloween Dance-A-Thon Fundraiser for 2024! The Halloween Dance-A-Thon is one of our school's major fundraising initiatives. The Halloween Dance-A-Thon Fundraiser taking place on **Wednesday, October 31, 2024.**

Families and students are encouraged to raise money by collecting pledges. For every \$10 collected students will receive a ballot to enter into a draw with various prizes. We would like to thank all parents/guardians who have supported our school by donating prizes in the past and we are kindly asking for




your support once again. Any support would be greatly appreciated and welcomed. If you wish to make a donation of prizes, please contact Sandra Volpe at sandra.volpimorelli@ycdsb.ca by **Friday, October 18th.** Further details regarding our Dance-a-Thon will be distributed in the coming week. [CSC Prize Donation Letter](#)

Loonie/Toonie Civvies Day to end Poverty: Students and staff are invited to participate in the YCDSB's first *Annual Loonie/Toonie Civvies Day Fundraiser in support of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty* on **Thursday, October 17th** by **donating a Loonie or Toonie** to help make a difference in our community. This event will raise funds to provide more equitable access and responsive service to students and families experiencing financial distress, with the goal of increasing regular/compulsory school attendance in pursuit of overall academic achievement. See attached [letter](#).

Save the Date: Catholic School Council would like you to mark your calendars for this year's Breakfast with Santa on **Saturday, December 7th.** **New this year** is a **Vendor's Market** which will run simultaneously with our Breakfast with Santa. We are looking for vendors & student entrepreneurs to sell their products at the market. If you are interested in being a vendor at this year's event please complete the attached [Application Form](#) and email it to ccairo@live.ca before **October 11th.** Please see [Save the Date Flyer](#) for more information.

Grade 7 Immunization: If your child missed last week's immunization clinic for Hepatitis B, HPV9 & Meningococcal, please see the attached flyer for available options for your child to be vaccinated. [Immunization Information](#)

Parish News: For Sacred Heart Parish news, please see the [Church Bulletin](#)

	<p>October 14- Thanksgiving Day (No School) October 16- Catholic School Council Meeting 7 p.m. October 17- Charity Loonie/Toonie Civvies Day to end Poverty - Grade 8 trip to Sainte-Marie among the Hurons October 21- P. A. Day (No School for students) October 23- The Big CRUNCH October 24- Early Childhood Educators and Education Workers Appreciation Day October 25- Civvies Day</p>
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Wishing you a wonderful week ahead!

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