

## **Holy Name Catholic School**

## **Weekly Update**

March 31 - April 4, 2025

## Holy Name Families,

April Showers bring May flowers! We welcome the month of April tomorrow and hope that it brings sunshine and warmer temperatures. We continue to prepare for Easter and reflect on the impact of our actions and behaviours while praying, fasting, and giving alms as Jesus did throughout his life and during the 40 days of Lent. This month, our virtue is **Reverence**, and our focus will be to pray to God daily, honour and respect God's gift of life in all its forms, and treat others with care and respect.

CSC Spring Fundraiser: Our Terracotta Cookie Dough Spring Fundraiser's last day to place orders is Monday, March 31st. If you have not yet placed your order and would like to, please click on the following Order Link to access the variety of cookie dough available to purchase. Cookie dough orders will be available for pickup on Tuesday, April 15th. Thank you once again to our CSC for organizing this fundraiser to help raise funds for our 3D printer and other technology resources.

**Spring Immunization Clinic-** York Region Public Health will be hosting its Spring Immunization Clinic here at Holy Name for our **grade 7 students** on **Tuesday, April 1, 2025.** If your child received immunizations at school in the fall you **do not** need to complete a second consent form. **Please note** that any grade 7 students who miss their immunization on April 1st will **not be able** to receive their immunization at another school immunization clinic and must make an appointment at a YRPH community clinic. Please see the attached **flyer** with information about YRPH immunizations.

World Autism Awareness Day: The United Nations General Assembly unanimously declared April 2nd as World Autism Awareness Day. This day unites families, schools, and communities to build stronger, more inclusive communities. On Wednesday, April 2nd, the Holy Name community will be recognizing World Autism Day. Students and staff are invited to wear tie-dye or colourful clothing to celebrate the day.

Hot Lunch Orders: Phase 3 of the Hot Lunch program begins this week. Phase 3 will

run from April 1 to June 26th with the following vendors:

Monday: Nonna's Oven Tuesday: Galina's BBQ Wednesday: Pizza Nova Thursday: Subway

Friday: Just Taste It-Shawarma lunch

If you have any questions about the Hot Lunch Program please contact Sandra Volpe at

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**Ice Dawg Treats:** Ice Dawg Wednesdays begins **this week on Wednesday** for any students who have ordered. Students will **not** be able to purchase Ice Dawgs on Wednesdays, as we have only ordered enough to accommodate the students who placed online orders by the deadline.

**Lenten Food and Toiletries Drive:** Thank you to those who contributed to our Lenten Food and Toiletries drive, Sacred Heart Church was here on Friday to pick up donations to distribute to those in need. Our **Lenten Food & Toiletries Drive will continue until April 14th**. Students can continue to come down to drop off their donation items in the donation bins set up inside the school's main entrance. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



**Active School Travel:** This month, the emphasis is on using alternate transportation, such as walking or wheeling (cycling, scootering, rollerblading, or skateboarding) to get to and from school. Within this definition, riding the school bus is also considered a sustainable form of transportation. We acknowledge that walking to school is not always possible, so we encourage you to try and incorporate walking at least once a week in your routine or consider parking a few blocks away and walking the rest of the way! Please read the <a href="Heading to School Brochure">Heading to School Brochure</a> to learn more about the benefits of Active School Travel, safety tips, and signage commonly seen near York Region schools.

**ShareLife:** The mission of ShareLife is to "Live the Gospel by providing for those in need". It supports more than 40 Catholic agencies that serve people who are poor and marginalized in the Archdiocese of Toronto and beyond. ShareLife funded agencies serve the entire community, and their support helps many families here in the York Region. This year, HNE students and staff will be invited to participate in a **Loonie/Toonie Civvies Day on Friday, April 11th,** with all proceeds being donated to support ShareLife.

## Parish News: For Sacred Heart Parish news, please see the Church Bulletin



April 7- Last day to submit LegoLand payment (Grade 3's)

April 8- STREAM Centre visit (Ms. La Gambina's grade 2's)

April 9- Ice Dawg Treat Day

- Catholic School Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm

April 11- Grade 3 Trip to Legoland

- ShareLife Loonie/Toonie Civvies Day

April 16- Easter Liturgy 1:15 p.m. (led by Grade 5's)

- Ice Dawg Treat Day

April 17- Holy Thursday

- Stations of the Cross (led by Mr. Cristan's class)

April 18- Good Friday - No School for Students

April 20- Easter Sunday

Wishing you a wonderful week ahead!

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Principal Vice Principal