



Holy Name Catholic School

Weekly Update

April 28 - May 2, 2025

Holy Name Families,

Last week, we mourned the loss of a humble man who led the Church with compassion, wisdom, and a profound love for the poor and marginalized. Pope Francis called us to walk the path of mercy, to care for our shared home, and to recognize Christ in each person we meet. May his life of service inspire us to continue to live the Gospel with courage and joy. As the month comes to a close, we are reminded of all the wonderful things happening at our school and look forward to the many upcoming events, activities, and special moments here at Holy Name.

Pause to Play Week: Being physically active for at least 60 minutes daily and maintaining a more balanced screen time benefits our children's physical, mental, and emotional well-being. It has also been shown to improve concentration and children's ability to learn. **This week**, we will be participating in the *Pause to Play* initiative, an initiative that encourages students and staff to unplug from technology and engage in active, screen-free time. We look forward to putting away technology throughout the week, getting active, and engaging in PLAY. See [flyer](#) for more information.

Junior Dance Program: The Grades 4-6 students will be participating in a Dance Program led by the Travelling Stage, which will begin on **Monday, April 28th**. This fun and exciting dance program will introduce students to 'Decades of Dance' styles and teach basic dance skills and choreography, which will complement the Dance Curriculum. The cost of this program was subsidized by the fundraising efforts of the Catholic School Council.

Elections Canada Polling Station: A reminder that our school gymnasium will be used as a Polling Station for the elections today, **Monday, April 28th**. Please note that there may be more traffic than usual during drop-off and pick-up times, and we kindly ask that all parents continue to follow regular parking rules and procedures.

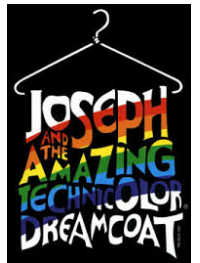


Oral Communication Area Level Competition: Congratulations to our Junior and Intermediate School Level Finalists Mya D, Lia N, John Anthony G, and Solara D. The Area Finals Competition will take place on **Thursday, May 1, 2025** at Canadian Martyrs CES and we wish Solara and Lia the best of luck as they move on to compete at this next level. Junior Speeches will begin at 9:15 a.m., and Intermediate students will present at 1:15 p.m.

Junior Basketball Tournaments: Good luck to our Junior Boys and Girls who will be competing in the area tournaments this week at St. Mary (Nobleton) on **Thursday, May 1st**, and St. Patrick's (Schomberg) on **Friday, May 2nd**. We thank our coaches, Mr. Takaoka, Ms. DeThomasis, and Ms. Trabona, for taking the time to coach and prepare our teams for these tournaments and wish both teams the best of luck. **GO HUSKIES!**

Monthly Mass: Catholic Education Week begins next week, and to help us prepare, our school community will gather for Mass with Fr. John on **Thursday, May 1st** at 9:20 a.m. We look forward to celebrating our monthly Mass together, and as always, parents are welcome to attend.

Musical Production: Our Musical Production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat will take place on May 7 and 8, 2025. Ticket sales opened to the school community on Friday and will be available for purchase until **Tuesday, April 29th**. Seating is limited, and therefore, tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. Be sure to get yours before they run out. It is sure to be a performance you won't want to miss.



School Day Items: Just a friendly reminder that the following items will be expiring in the next few days. Please log on to make payments and complete forms.

- **Grade 6 Trip:** On **Thursday, June 12, 2025**, the Grade 6 students will be visiting the ROC. Parents are reminded to log onto School Day to make payment and complete the Elements of Risk Form and the ROC consent form that was sent home with your child, and return it to their teacher. Both payment and forms must be completed and returned by **no later than today, Monday, April 28th**.
- **Grade 7 Trip:** On **Friday, May 9th, 2025**, our Grade 7 students will be visiting Cold Creek Conservation Area and participating in outdoor activities. Parents are reminded to log onto School Day to make payment and complete the Elements of Risk form and **Cold Creek Waiver** that was provided to students. Both payment and forms must be completed by no later than **Wednesday, April 30th**.

Bussing: As warmer weather approaches and students begin to plan after-school outings with friends, we kindly remind all parents of students who ride the bus to and from school that they are **ONLY permitted to ride on their designated bus and not switch buses**. In the case of extenuating circumstances, we ask that parents contact the office before the end of the school day.

School Dress Code: We have noticed that many students are coming to school in clothing that does not adhere to our HNE School Dress Code. A reminder that our HNE School Dress Code consists of navy blue and/or white tops, navy blue or black bottoms, and appropriate footwear. Students are expected to come to school dressed in school dress code colours and/or school spirit wear. A reminder that Black t-shirts and sweatshirts, as well as slides or flip-flops are not part of the dress code.



Starting this week, we're launching a dress code awareness campaign called "**Proud to be a Huskie.**" Throughout May, staff/admin will be more intentionally monitoring dress code and having respectful conversations with students as needed. If a student is not in proper dress code, they will be given a reminder slip to take home. We kindly ask for your support in helping ensure that all students arrive at school dressed appropriately each day. If your child receives a notice, please sign it and have your child return it to their teacher the next day. Thank you for your continued cooperation and support with this.

Indoor/Outdoor Shoes: All students should have indoor and outdoor shoes to continue to ensure the safety of our students and staff and to maintain clean indoor spaces within our school.

Student Water Bottles: As the weather warms up, we encourage students to bring refillable water bottles to school to stay hydrated throughout the day. It's important to remind students that the proper use of water bottles helps maintain a safe environment for everyone. Please avoid sending glass bottles, as they can be easily broken, and remind your child that water bottles should not be used as squirt bottles or in ways that can create unsafe situations within the school environment.

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



May 5- Catholic Education Week Begins
- Intermediate Love of Dance Competition- St. Elizabeth H.S.
- Aerial School Group Photo (wear white tops)
May 7- Joseph Musical Production Evening #1 @7:00 p.m.
May 8 - Joseph Musical Production Evening #2 @7:00 p.m.
- STREAM visit (Ms. Tesolin's grade 1's)
May 9- Grade 7 trip to Cold Creek Conservation Area
May 11- **Happy Mother's Day**
May 12- Junior Dance Program (Day 3)
May 14- Junior Dance Program (Day 4)
- Welcome to Kindergarten
- CSC Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Wishing you a wonderful week ahead!

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