

HOLY NAME CES

Principal's Message

Greetings Parents/Guardians,

As we move from September into October, I want to extend my sincere thanks to all of you, our students, families, and staff, for making the start of the school year such a positive and productive one. The energy and enthusiasm throughout the school have been inspiring, and I'm incredibly proud of the strong sense of community we've already built in these first few weeks.

With the arrival of October, we are embracing the beauty of the fall season. The crisp air and changing leaves provide a wonderful backdrop for learning and growing together. This month, we look forward to seasonal celebrations such as Thanksgiving and Halloween, while also taking time to reflect and honour important observances. October is dedicated to special prayers for Our Mother Mary and marks Canadian Women's History Month, a meaningful time to recognize the contributions of women who have shaped our country.

This month, we also turn our focus toward acts of service, compassion and charity. Two important charity initiatives will be taking place this month:

- On October 17th, students and staff will participate in our 2nd annual Board-wide initiative to raise awareness and funds to help end poverty. This will be a Civvies Day, and we kindly ask students to bring a loonie or toonie donation in support of this cause.
- From October 1st to 8th, we will hold our Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive in support of our local King Food Bank. Non-perishable food items are greatly appreciated, and your generosity will make a real difference for families in our community.

In our continued Faith journey, we are blessed to welcome Father John back to our school this year. Our first school Mass will be celebrated on Friday, October 10th at 9:20 a.m., and families are warmly invited to join us as we gather in prayer and gratitude. In the area of school athletics, our Cross Country team has been training diligently and is excited to compete in the upcoming Cross Country Meet on October 9th. Our intermediate girls' and boys' volleyball teams are also hard at work preparing for their Board tournaments later this month and into early November. Thank you to our dedicated staff coaches for their time and commitment to supporting our student athletes.

As we look ahead to the Thanksgiving long weekend, I hope you find time to rest, reflect, and enjoy special moments with loved ones. On behalf of the entire staff, I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving.

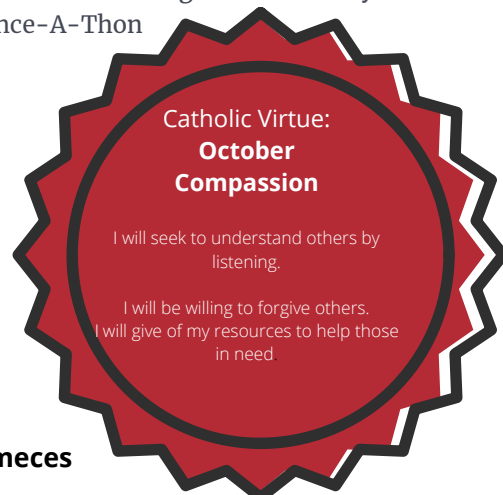
Sincerely,

C. Zorzi



UPCOMING DATES:

October 1st to 3rd : Safety Awareness Week
 October 1st to October 8th : Thanksgiving Food Drive
 October 1st : Picture Day
 October 1st : Hot Lunch Orders Due
 October 5th : World Teachers' Day
 October 6th : STREAM Center Visit: Gr.7 (Mr. Cristan)
 October 6th : Phase 1 Hot Lunch Begins
 October 9th : Cross Country Meet
 October 10th : Thanksgiving Mass with Fr. John @ 9:20
 October 13th : Thanksgiving (no school)
 October 16th : The Big Crunch! Healthy Snack: Apples
 October 17th : Extra Civvies: Loonie & Toonie for the Eradication of Poverty
 October 21st : Cross Country Broad Finals
 October 22nd : Girls Volleyball Tournament @ Woodbridge Sports Dome
 October 23rd : Boys Volleyball Tournament @ Woodbridge Sports Dome
 October 24th : PA Day
 October 29th : Civvies Day
 October 30th : FDK Halloween Howl - 'Orange and Black Day'
 October 31st : Halloween Dance-A-Thon



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