

HOLY NAME CES

Principal's Message

Greetings Parents and Guardians,

Happy New Year and welcome back! I hope this message finds you and your family healthy, well-rested, and enjoying a positive start to 2026. At Holy Name CES, we are excited to begin the new year with renewed energy as we continue our shared journey of learning, faith, and growth. I would also like to take a moment to express my sincere gratitude for the many Christmas well wishes, kind words, and thoughtful expressions of appreciation shared before the holiday break. Your thoughtfulness and generosity are truly appreciated and mean so much to myself, Mrs. Parisi and our entire staff.

Although January often brings colder weather, our school is full of warmth, activity, and enthusiasm. This month promises many exciting opportunities for our students. Our Junior Volleyball teams have begun their season with great spirit, and a variety of clubs and programs continue to thrive. Chess Club, Intermediate Intramurals, and Dance Team are just a few of the activities fostering teamwork, creativity, and school pride across our school.

As we near the conclusion of Term One in early February, we value the importance of ongoing communication between home and school. Term One Report Cards will be available through the Parent Portal on February 10th. Instructions, technical support, and helpful links can be found on our school website should you need assistance accessing your child's report.

Our virtue focus for January is Unity, reflecting Jesus' call to live in harmony and support one another. This virtue connects closely with the Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectation of being a *Collaborative Contributor*. Through unity, we strive to nurture a school environment grounded in kindness, respect, cooperation, and inclusion.

We are also pleased to share that Kindergarten registration is now open for the 2026-2027 school year. Children born in 2022 who will turn four by December 31, 2026 are eligible to register. Please visit our school website to complete the registration process. A registration poster is attached for your reference, and our school office is always happy to assist with any questions.

We encourage families to review the important dates for January and to check our website regularly for updates, announcements, and upcoming events.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Wishing you a happy, healthy, and fulfilling January ahead.

Sincerely,




Winter Weather: Please exercise caution around the school during snowy and icy conditions. While the Board and the school work to minimize slippery ice patches or other hazardous conditions, we caution everyone to use great care when walking in and around the school. Although we plow, shovel, salt, sand and mop, winter weather in Canada comes with its challenges. Thank you for your cooperation in minimizing falls!



January Prayer for Unity

God of harmony and unity,
You want us all to work together to build your kingdom
May our ears hear your voice clearly
May our eyes see your beauty in all
May our understanding break down walls of fear and prejudice
May we make our school a place of friendship
A place of belonging
A place of welcome
Where everyone feels safe
Where everyone has a place
Where all are united in You, dear God

Amen.

KEY DATES IN JANUARY

January 5th: Welcome Back!

January 5th: Phase 2: Hot Lunch Begins

January 8th: Grade 6 (Ms. DeThomasis' class): STREAM Center

January 10th : Reconciliation & Communion Enrollment @ Sacred Heart Parish for 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

January 11th : Reconciliation & Communion Enrollment @ Sacred Heart Parish for 10:30 am - 11:30 am

January 12th: Healthy Snacks: Tangerines

January 13th: Grade 7 & 8 Snow Valley Trip

January 15th: Scientist in the School: Grade 6s

January 16th: PA Day

January 17th: Confirmation Enrollment @ Sacred Heart Parish for 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

January 18th : Confirmation Enrollment @ Sacred Heart Parish for 10:30 am - 11:30 am

January 19th to 23rd : Wellness Week

January 19th to 21st : 3v3 Soccer Experience & Jersey Day (Fundraising Incentive)

January 21st - Junior Boys Volleyball Tournament @ St. Patrick

January 21st : CSC Meeting @ 7pm

January 22nd : Junior Girls Volleyball Tournament @ Our Lady of Hope

January 23rd : Mass with Father John @ 9:20am

January 24th: Bell Let's Talk Day

January 29th : Civvies Day

January 30th : PA Day

**Catholic Virtue:
January
UNITY**

I will make everyone feel welcomed and appreciated.

I will take some time to learn about the similarities and differences in my community.

I will empower people with my words not put them down by calling them names.



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