

March 14, 2023

Dear Holy Name School Families,

After a mild February, it seems that Winter is getting in all it can before the official start of Spring! Please remember to send us your snow day photos!

- A. Please see the attached memo about morning drop-off. We thank you for your cooperation in making sure that things are safe for our students.
- B. I am very grateful to our School Life Committee (SLC) for their work on our upcoming **Walk-a-Thon**, scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. on May 6th at Bishop Connolly High School. This fundraiser will help us to continue to develop what we can offer our students, and we hope that we can get 100% participation from our school families. More details will be forthcoming, but for right now we ask you to 1.) save the date and 2.) consider coming to the next planning meeting of our SLC on Tues. Mar. 28th at 6 p.m.
- C. On Tues. March 14th, report cards for the second trimester will be published and ready for your viewing.
- D. On Fri. March 17th, there is **no school at HNS** due to a professional development day for faculty.
- E. On Sunday, March 19th, the Holy Name School Class of 2023 will be holding a Bake Sale for Faith Formation from 9:15-11:45 a.m. Please feel free to stop by for some treats.
- F. Parent Teacher Conferences will take place on Thurs. March 23rd . All students MUST be picked up at 11:30 a.m. as Parent-Teacher conferences will be beginning promptly after a brief lunch for the staff. Information on signing up for a conference will be emailed to you by Mrs. Krauzyk.
- G. **Stations of the Cross at HNS**: We invite our school families to join us for this beautiful Lenten devotion with reflections written by our students: on Fri. March 24th at 8:30 a.m. with Grade 6, and on Fri. Mar. 31st at 8:30 a.m. with Grade 7.
- H. On Fri. March 24th at 5:15 p.m., Grades 7 & 8 will be leading the Stations of the Cross at Holy Name Church with reflections written by them. They are invited back to school for pizza immediately following.
- I. Friday, March 24th is the last day to apply for FACE scholarships, the tuition assistance program of the Diocese of Fall River. If you are in need of financial assistance, please apply as soon as possible this deadline IS NOT flexible.

- J. On Fri. March 31st, we will be holding a **pep rally** for our upcoming **Walk-a-thon** at 1:00 p.m.
- K. Below please find IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES related to First Communion:
 - **REHEARSAL**: Thursday, May 11 at 6:00PM at the church (all students & at least one parent/guardian must attend). This is NOT a dress rehearsal.
 - FIRST COMMUNION: Saturday, May 13 at 11:00AM at the church o MAY CROWNING: Sunday, May 14 at 10:30AM at the church
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L. Social Emotional Development

In alignment with our Mission to help develop the whole student, Holy Name School will be working with the Diocesan School Adjustment Counselor (Cynthia Roche) in order to better prepare our students for challenges they face outside of the realm of academics. These sessions will be performed in small group settings, ranging from different grade levels. Cynthia will be focusing on some different skills: understanding the feeling of anxiety, identifying triggers, and helping to develop coping mechanisms when faced with these kinds of situations. Due to the time constraints of Cynthia's schedule, we will be focusing primarily on older students. Topics will be decided by Cynthia with the staff's assistance, and students will be invited to attend. We are excited to have Cynthia available to us in order to better serve the community at Holy Name School! If you have any questions, please reach out to Mr. Deschenes or Mr. Mancuso.

We also have the diocesan SRO coming in to talk to the younger students about creating safe and respectful environments.

M. You will receive a **weekly lunch menu** from Mrs. Krauzyk on Tue. Morning. If you have an issue with the email, you can always order lunch through our website. Just remember that NO orders will be accepted after noon on Thursday. https://www.hnsfr.org/Lunch-Menus

"Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord." (Eph. 5:8-10)

Fr. Riley Williams Pastor