



Holy Name School
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Dear Parents and guardians,

I hope that this letter finds you and your family well. As we progress through the fall and the approaching cold and flu season, it is imperative that we continue to follow the health guidelines of using masks, maintaining social distance, and frequent hand-washing. As some areas of Massachusetts have experienced an increase in COVID cases, if we are to preserve a safe and healthy environment here at Holy Name School, we cannot let our guard down. We have had great success thus far in our community! Please be sure that you are wearing masks while on the school campus and avoid large groups during drop-off and pick-up.

COVID Testing Reminder: If you have a family member that has been in contact with a person who has tested positive for COVID, and they are waiting for test results, please keep your child home until the test result is received. If your family member tests positive, your child will have to be quarantined according to health department rules for 14 days, regardless of a negative test result for the child. Please let the office or the nurse know if this happens in your household in order for us to maintain accurate records for contact tracing purposes. Thank you for continued cooperation!

COVID-19 Updates:

We will always provide an update concerning local levels of infection and any updated guidance from the Massachusetts health department and the Massachusetts department of education and the Catholic School Office, if it impacts our school and the procedures we follow. **As of last Wednesday, Fall River was still coded Yellow and the rate of infection was decreasing.** We still have numerous families who have not sent in updated nursing/physical/vaccination information. **It is imperative that we receive this information from all families.** If you have a reason why this cannot be done, please contact Mr. Flanagan immediately.

All families must follow the state mandates for vaccinations and immunizations or they will not be allowed to attend Holy Name School.

MAP Testing will conclude this week and results will be extracted for our teachers in the next several days.

Lifetouch Pictures will be taken tomorrow, Thursday, October 8th. Due to COVID-19, no one other than faculty/staff and students are allowed in the building. Therefore, in order to do this, the pictures will be taken in the school yard. The instructions for ordering on line are enclosed. Again, due to COVID-19 we are not able to have the orders come through the school. **Students are allowed to dress-down for their pictures. Please see the guidelines in the Student Handbook which is available on our website.**

MASS Update:

This week, our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades will celebrate Mass with Fr. Dan. Unfortunately, we cannot have any outside visitors join us due to COVID regulations. Fr. Jay will celebrate Mass on a rotating basis with two or three classes at a time, on Wednesday mornings.

Lunch Ordering:

Reminder: Please look for an email from Mrs. Krauzyk (mkrauzyk@hnsfr.org) each week that provides a link for your lunch order and payment. All lunch orders and payment are completed online. Please complete your order by 12:00PM on Thursday.

Extended Care:

Reminder: Please email Mrs. Krauzyk or call the office in the morning if you will be using Extended Care. This will allow us to make the necessary safety preparations for all students. Of course, if you need to use Extended Care at the last minute, it is always available.

[Click Here to Pay Holy Name School Extended Care](#)

Payment for Agendas/Masks: Thank you to all who have made the payments through our online payment system for the planners and 5 masks provided to students. Please make this payment at your earliest convenience, if you have not yet had a chance. Thank you for your cooperation!

[Click Here to Pay Holy Name School Agenda](#) [Click Here to Pay Holy Name School Face Masks](#)

FACTS

If you have not signed up for FACTS yet, you will receive an email from Mrs. Chippendale (jchippendale@hnsfr.org) that asks you to sign up as soon as possible. The email will include instructions as well. **It is imperative that every student has an up to date FACTS account.**

Please see all attachments for announcements for this week.

Weekly Reflection:

“Be intent on prayer and whatever may happen will turn to our good.”

--Blessed Edmund Rice

Stay well and God Bless,

David J. Flanagan
Principal

Holy Name School provides a Catholic education within an atmosphere of academic excellence. While providing Catholic values, students are challenged to do their best, to nurture their gifts and talents, and to develop curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking.

Holy Name School strives to produce confident, competent, and caring individuals who can work cooperatively, show respect for one another, and who demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of Catholic values.

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