



September 21, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are off to a wonderful start having completed the first full week of classes last week. We are pleased to announce that Professor Michael Donato has joined us to teach Middle School Math and Science and are excited to have him join the Holy Name School community. Professor “D” brings many years of experience teaching at Bristol Community College and will be a great asset to our faculty!

As you know our Back to School Zoom meetings will be held tomorrow. Please see the links below that will allow you to participate. Also, there are many announcements this week, so please read through the information carefully.

Back to School Zoom

Tomorrow, Wednesday, Sept. 22nd at 6:30 p.m. we will be holding our Virtual Back to School via Zoom. Your child’s teacher has sent you the code to your meeting but I am attaching them here for your reference.

- Topic: **Preschool Open House**
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4439853730?pwd=NXdhNUtjQURiTUZHS1Y3ZStJb3RQUT09>
Meeting ID: 443 985 3730 Passcode: Hnsprek
- Topic: **Kindergarten Open House**
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76178725116?pwd=Z1FDckYxZVgxZ3FkeDIRUTBkQ0JXQT09>
Meeting ID: 761 7872 5116 Passcode: BS0R5v
- Topic: **Grade 1 Open House**
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71209494731?pwd=MzBVK2lSUWNIRS92Vks1aktMTkhjdz09>
Meeting ID: 712 0949 4731 Passcode: z61Rvz
- Topic: **Grade 2 Open House**
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3999809199?pwd=d1Z2T2NBTGRDQTIPT1I5VVd6a0Y1dz09>
Meeting ID: 399 980 9199 Passcode: P3jqVn
- Topic: **Grade 3 Open House**
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75146752804?pwd=bHNKZGpnb2JTWnR2M2dCN3d3ZVVBUt09>
Meeting ID: 751 4675 2804 Passcode: hnsgrade3
- Topic: **Grade 4 Open House**
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78725168021?pwd=bUVrc09namlERnZxRk1OT1o3eWh5QT09>
Meeting ID: 787 2516 8021 Passcode: grade4
- Topic: **Grade 5 Open House**
<https://zoom.us/j/93385104387?pwd=RXc4R1FxdDE4aXN0NIMzMjVrV1ZyZz09>
Meeting ID: 933 8510 4387 Passcode: HNSgrade5

- Topic: **Middle School Open House**
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77613293263?pwd=dW1uVVFvWHc1NzBDOVQ5djdBjBY204QT09>
Meeting ID: 776 1329 3263 Passcode: HNSHNS

MAP Testing

We will begin MAP Testing for academic year 2021-2022 next week. Testing will begin on Monday, Sept. 27th with Kindergarten. Testing will continue for three weeks and all students will be tested.

Uniforms

We realize that quite a few families are still awaiting uniforms from Donnelly's. However, we do need to have all students follow dress code regarding things within your control such as hair styles, bold colors, and length for boys. Also, shoes that are worn with regular uniform **MUST BE** all black, tan, brown or navy. There cannot be logos of any kind in a different color on them. On gym days, any color sneakers can be worn. If you are not sure what the policy is please refer to the handbook which can be found on our website (pages 16-19 specifically).

Drop Off

Morning drop off in the parking lot is designed to be a drop and go system. This has worked really well in the past, but lately has gotten a little off course. Please **do not park in the lot** and have your child walk into the building. This is causing a hazard as parents that are doing the drop and go system are driving while your child is trying to walk by. We understand that some mornings call for extra time, and that is fine occasionally! Thank you for your understanding in this very important matter and we are all trying to keep everyone safe!

Nurse Dismissal

If you are picking up your child from the **nurse**, please use the entrance on the Pearce Street side.

Electronic Paperwork

Please do not send any paperwork for the office in with your child. We are trying to keep everything electronic. If you need to send something in, please scan it or take a picture of it and email to us. Ty

First Day Forms

We have received many First Day Forms, but we are still waiting for many to be filled out. Please go to following link to do this electronically. **The link is: [https://www.hnsfr.org/First-Day-](https://www.hnsfr.org/First-Day-Forms)**

Forms

We do need to have one filled out for **every student**. We also need a medical form for each student to start the school year. Even if you sent one last year, we do need one. Please attach to your First Day Form file or email Ms. Chippendale at jchippendale@hnsfr.org.

New Students

If your child is a new student to Holy Name this year, we need a birth certificate and baptism certificate (if applicable), and previous school records as well. You may attach those to your First Day Forms or email Ms. Chippendale.

COVID-19

It is important that we all continue to be as vigilant as we can be as the pandemic still is infecting mostly the unvaccinated, which means our children under 12 are still at risk of infection. Please encourage your children to consistently wear their masks in school.

Masks are required inside for all staff and students at Holy Name School, per State and local health department guidelines.

Mass

Fr. Williams will be celebrating Mass with our Holy Name School family Thursday morning. Our lector will be Addison Ferreira and our gift bearers are Abigael Lavoie and Olivia Moniz. These students are all from Grade 7.

Phys Ed

Phys Ed classes will resume on Wednesday and Friday this week.

CYO Basketball

It has been a long running tradition that Holy Name has both boys' and girls' teams that play basketball at CYO on Anawan Street. (Grades 3 and up) We'd love to keep this going, but in order to do so we need your help. We are looking for coaches for all teams. If you are interested, please let Ms. Chippendale know.

CORI Check

We are still hopeful that we will be able to have functions/field trips that require volunteers. In order to volunteer, you will need to have an up to date CORI form. If you are interested in this, please email Ms. Chippendale.

Lunch Orders

Please remember to order lunches online for next week by Thursday.

Please see the following note from Ms. Dorothy Mahony-Pacheco, Faith Formation Director :

FAMILY WELCOME BREAKFAST

Join us to welcome Fr. Riley Williams to Holy Name! On Sunday, October 3 a breakfast will be held at Holy Name School to welcome our new pastor and kick-off the new school and faith formation year. Breakfast will be served following the 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses. All are welcome; tickets not required. Please join us for a morning of good food and fellowship as we celebrate the many blessings we share at Holy Name!

Weekly Reflection:

***“Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”
Matthew 11:29-30***

Thank you and God Bless,
David J Flanagan, Principal

Holy Name School