

What's Up @ HJE: September 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>:

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Happy Fall! I trust that you and your families enjoyed this first weekend of Fall. Already some of the foliage has just started to change from green to Autumn colours. Thank you to all who joined us for Open House Night last Thursday. It was wonderful to meet everyone in the halls and classrooms! Once again, I thank you for the warm welcome to Holy Jubilee.

Saturday was the Memorial of St Padre Pio, patron of the school named after him in Woodbridge. St Padre Pio was born in southern Italy over a hundred years ago. He is known for his love of God, wisdom, and care for those he met.

Wednesday is the Memorial of St Vincent de Paul. St. Vincent de Paul loved the poor, and promoted and performed works of charity to help make our world free from pain, suffering and poverty. He especially loved children. From his example, we see the importance of expressing our Christian values through faith, hope, and love.

At our local parishes, we continue St. Vincent de Paul's work of helping the poor by donating clothing and money to those in need. We can use our skills and talents to help the St Vincent de Paul Society and other service agencies to continue Jesus' work on earth. On behalf of St. Vincent de Paul, HJE will participate in a winter coat drive (more information to follow).

**What's Up @ Holy Jubilee this week:** This week is eventful...

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH:**

1. **Terry Fox Run and Red and White Civvies Day:** Last week in the newsletter, I shared information regarding the Terry Fox Walk. Students will be walking within the community (routes are calibrated with the age groups in mind). The rain date is Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. We are collecting voluntary donations of toonies. If you prefer to donate online, <https://schools.terryfox.ca/HolyJubileeCSMaple> (if the link does not work, please copy and paste it into your browser). Students are encouraged to wear red and/or white on this day.

We are hoping to raise over \$500.00 for this worthy cause. Terry Fox exemplified courage – the Catholic virtue for the month of September. Thank you to Ms. Anderson and Mme. Sedran for organizing this event. The rain date for this will be Tues. Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> if necessary.

Please note that hard copies of the **Permission form for Walking Excursions** within the community have been sent home. These are required for students to be able to participate in the Terry Fox walk. If you have not already done so, please return them to your child(ren)'s teacher on Monday morning.

2. **CSC: Monday, September 25th: Catholic School Council Elections:** Elections for CSC members will be on **Monday, Sept. 25th beginning at 7 pm in the library. We will be able to have 18 members.** Once the 18 general members are elected, this group of 18 will vote to elect the executive consisting of **Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer.** All nominees are expected to attend in person. Please notify Ms. Sandig before the meeting should there be extenuating circumstances that prevent you

from attending if you are a nominee. For a list of nominees with bios: [HOLY JUBILEE CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL 2023 list of nominees.docx](#) (if your name is not on the list and you have submitted a form, please let me know so that I can adjust the list.

3. **SAFETY WEEK SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>-29<sup>TH</sup>:** As mentioned in last week's newsletter, this week HJE will be participating in safety drills. For further information, please refer to the attached letter:

**Wednesday, September 27th:** Rowan's Law Day - Concussion awareness will be discussed. Students may add to their dress code with a purple accessory.

**Friday, September 29th: Truth and Reconciliation Day: Orange Shirt Day**

- Students are encouraged to wear something orange (shirt/accessory)
- As well, there will be video presentation prepared by the Board for staff and students

### **Spirit Wear:**

We have made arrangements with Centro to provide spirit and grad wear this year. You will receive a separate email on Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. The online store will open and be ready for orders beginning **Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**.

### **A Few Reminders:**

#### **St. David's Parish- Information Regarding Sacraments and Registration 2024:**

Confirmation and First Communion information is available on the home page or through the website, [www.saintdavidsmple.com/](http://www.saintdavidsmple.com/) For more information, click on "Sacraments" and select the sacrament of your choice.

**Meetings are MANDATORY and begin at 7PM. Parents need to pre-register their child for sacraments on the parish's website [www.saintdavidsmple.com/](http://www.saintdavidsmple.com/) from **Monday, September 18, 2023 - Monday October 2.****

**Confirmation: Mandatory meeting:** Tuesday, October 3 or Thursday, October 5

**Safety in the Yard, Kiss and Ride:** Adults are asked not to enter or stay in the school yard between 8:35 and 8:50 am. There is staff supervision in the yard during that time frame and for safety concerns, we ask that only students and staff be in the yard at that time. As well, please do not leave your vehicle parked in the kiss and ride loop at the side of the school as you may be blocking traffic. In addition, the front driveway of the school can also be used as a kiss and ride area. Please remember that this is also an exit for all cars, and can get quite busy. Students should exit vehicles curbside and proceed to their yards. Please note that we have one designated entrance for vehicles and one designated exit. Please use accordingly.

***Wishing you a wonderful first week of Fall!***

***Ms. Sandig, Principal***

