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Holy Name Parish School

Dear Holy Name Parish School Families,

It is with great pleasure and pride that we open the doors of Holy Name Parish School for its 65th academic school year. We celebrate this with a deep sense of responsibility and incredible joy! Holy Name has a rich history that not only reminds us of traditions but also challenges us to continue to move forward and translate this into new initiatives and opportunities.

Our faculty is ready, our children are ready, and our spirit is strong as we launch our children into the future.

Warm regards,
Kathleen J. Caulfield M.Ed

“Joining together is the beginning, Working together is progress, Growing together is success.”
Henry Ford

SEPTEMBER 2018

*Value of
the
Month*

Peace

September 3	Labor Day—No school
September 4	Professional Day—No school Welcome Reception for New Students entering K2-Gr.6 from 1:15-2:15 p.m.
September 5	Welcome Back! School reopens for Gr. 1–6, <i>Half day for Gr. 1–6; dismissal at noon</i> No Boston Public School bus transportation at dismissal K0 and K1 Curriculum Orientation for parents in classrooms (K0 8:15–8:45 a.m. and K1 9:00–9:30 a.m.) K2 Curriculum Orientation for parents from 10:00–10:30 a.m. in Finn Hall K0, K1 and K2 classroom visits from 11:00–11:30 a.m.
September 6	<i>Half day for all students; dismissal at noon</i> No Boston Public Schools transportation at dismissal 1/2 class K0, K1 and K2
September 7	<i>Half day for all students; dismissal at noon</i> No Boston Public Schools transportation at dismissal 1/2 class K0, K1 and K2 Opening School Mass and Student Council Inauguration at 9:00 a.m. in the Upper Church; Hosted by Student Council, All are Welcome!
September 8	Holy Name Parish Blood Drive, from 9:00-2:00 p.m. in Parish Hall
September 9	Family Mass and Mass of 100 Singers at 9:00 a.m. in the Upper Church VIRTUS training from 10:30 am –1:30 pm in Finn Hall
September 10-14	<i>Half days for K0, K1 and K2; dismissal at noon</i>
September 10	Full days begin for Gr. 1-6 Extended Day begins Home & School Association meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Library
September 11	Project Pantry
September 12	Jr. High Dance Ticket Sales, 6:30 p.m. in Finn Hall
September 13	Curriculum Night for the Main Building Grades 5 & 6 at 6:00 in Finn Hall Grades 2 and 4, at 6:30-6:55 p.m. in the classrooms Grades 1 and 3, at 7:00-7:25 p.m. in the classrooms
September 14	Paul Effman Band demonstration at 1:30 p.m. (Grades 3-6) Jr. High Dance at 7:00—10:00 p.m. in Parish Hall
September 16	Family Mass at 11:00 a.m. Parish Picnic
September 17	Full days begin for K0, K1 and K2 Curtain Up! Registration 2:30-3:00 p.m. in Finn Hall
September 18	Project Pantry O’Connor Studios School Picture Day in Finn Hall (all grades) Eagle Extras Online Registration begins at 4:00 p.m.
September 19	First Session Begins for Curtain Up! from 2:30–4:00 p.m. in Finn Hall
September 20	VIRTUS training from 6:00–9:00 p.m. in Finn Hall
September 21	Band Forms are due Eagle Extras Online Registration ends at 12:00 p.m.
September 23	Family Mass at 9:00 a.m. in the Upper Church
September 24-28	“Meet Your Buddies” Week
September 25	Project Pantry
September 26	Curtain Up! from 2:30–4:00 p.m. in Finn Hall
September 30	Family Mass at 9:00 a.m. in the Upper Church (Hosted by Gr. 6)

Quick Reminders



Holy Name Parish

Family Liturgy

Every Sunday

9:00 a.m.

Upper Church

The Family Liturgy is held each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the Upper Church. We hope all parents will try to attend the Family Mass and worship together. As in the past, we are anticipating that each Holy Name student will participate with his or her family and/or class at the Family Liturgy. The continuing participation of our children at Mass involves assisting with music sheets, the offertory collection and presenting the offertory gifts. The schedule of grades to assist at the Family Mass is as follows:

September 9	Family Mass and Mass of 100 Singers
September 16	Family Mass
September 23	Family Mass
September 30	Family Mass (Hosted by Grade 6)

School Information and Policies

The Holy Name school hours are as follows:

Arrival: There is no supervision in the schoolyard before 7:45 a.m., therefore no child may be dropped off prior to 7:45 a.m. Before-school care is offered at the Early Childhood Center starting at 7:00 a.m. for a \$10 fee. On days of inclement weather, the doors will open at 7:45 a.m. Each morning, the first bell will ring at 7:57 a.m. with morning assembly starting at 8:00 a.m. Morning assembly will take place outside near the flagpole during the months of September–November and March–June. Students who enter their classroom after the 8:00 a.m. bell will be considered tardy. A child coming to school late must report to the school office.

Dismissal:

2:00 p.m.	K0 at ECC
2:15 p.m.	K1 at ECC
2:20 p.m.	K2
2:25 p.m.	Gr. 1, 2, 3, 4
2:30 p.m.	Gr. 5 and 6

ALL HALF-DAY DISMISSALS ARE AT NOON

Please note: Boston Public Schools transportation will not provide bus service for noon dismissals

TARDY POLICY

Students who do not arrive in the classroom with the class line by 8:00 a.m. will be considered tardy. A child coming to school late must report to the office. Please plan accordingly.

Important safety guidelines have been established for drop-off at the Early Childhood Center:

For the safety of all, we ask that no traffic enter Cefalo Road to drop children off. Cefalo Road is a private road, therefore, no parking is allowed at any time, including pick-up. Young students use the footpath to and from the Main Building on this road, and it is extremely dangerous to allow any traffic there. A safety person is at the front of the Early Childhood Center, along with several volunteer monitors, to see that the children are escorted to the backyard to the teacher on duty until the school bell rings. If you need to walk your child/ren to the school, please park on Centre Street. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation regarding this important safety guideline.

For the safety of our students, no one is allowed to drive into the schoolyard at any time .

Drop off in the morning for the Main Building can be on West Roxbury Parkway (not blocking the convent driveway), on Greaton Road or up the pathway by Finn Hall. Our custodian will be located by Parish Hall to assist your child/ren getting out of cars. Please have your children ready and have good-byes said prior to your stop. Do not try to park near Parish Hall or wait until your child/ren get into line. With the help of our custodian, drop off should be easy and quick to help the flow of traffic. Do not use the rectory parking area/driveway as a shortcut. Please hold your child's hand while walking for it can be difficult for cars to see the little children.

Please read the important safety guidelines when dropping your child/ren off in front of Finn Hall and Parish Hall:

We understand that family's lives are hectic and it's important that parents have the ability to drop the children off at school in a safe environment. We have appointed our custodian, Mr. Felix, as lead safety person to monitor the flow of traffic to ensure the smooth and safe transition of your children. However, it is of extreme importance that we continue to provide safety above all else. With your cooperation, this drop off can be successful. We ask for your cooperation when utilizing this means to drop off your child/ren.

- When dropping off your child/ren, pull your vehicle up as far as possible. We have estimated that at least four vehicles consecutively can unload their child/ren at a time.
- Please do not get out of your car to organize your child/ren; this should be done prior to drop off.
- Once your child has been dropped off, please exit in order to allow the next set of vehicles the opportunity to drop off their children.
- Please do not drive around a vehicle that is still dropping off their child/ren.

The school and other parents appreciate your cooperation in this manner!

Please be aware of the solid yellow line on the sidewalk at the lights located in the front of the school. This area is for school bus vehicles and drop off. Parents are asked not to park here on West Roxbury Parkway or to block the driveway. Parking is not allowed on the church grounds during school hours. Please do not block the rectory driveways.

The Holy Name Extended Day Program will be coordinated by Mrs. Foley and Mrs. Curley, and will be located in the Annex Wing. Students who participate in Extended Day services will be picked up in the back entrance of the building on Greaton Road. The Extended Day Program will run from 2:30–6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and on most half days.

Extended Day services will also be offered at the Early Childhood Center for K0 and K1 students, and will be coordinated by Mrs. Ryan.

Before-school care is offered for all students from 7:00–7:45 a.m. at the Early Childhood Center under the direction of Mrs. DeSalvo. K2–Gr. 6 students will be escorted at 7:45 a.m. to the Main Building.

2018-19 Student Council

Commissioner General
Luke Gagnon

Assistant Commissioner General
Isabelle Russo

Secretary
Daniel Tobin

Commissioner of Religion
Grace Linberg

Commissioner of Athletics
Flora Colbert

Commissioner of Gr. 1 - Morgan Walsh

Commissioner of Gr. 2 - Jack Carter

Commissioner of Gr. 3 –Aidan Schofield

Class President of Gr. 4
Luke Kern

Class President of Gr. 5
Rylee Barnwell

Inauguration will take place Friday,
September 7th at the Opening of School
Mass at 9:00 a.m. in the Upper Church
All are Welcome

Holy Name's Project Pantry will collect food pantry items each Tuesday

Our students are encouraged to contribute one food item each week to Project Pantry. Food items such as shelf-stable and canned vegetables, soups, rice, cereals, pasta, sauces, peanut butter, tuna, beans and baby food are needed. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Get to Know IRIS: the Immediate Response Information System

IRIS is our school's emergency notification system. In the event of a school cancellation due to inclement weather or an emergency situation on campus, your family will receive automated phone calls, emails and text messages from this system. The first message sent this year was the classroom/homeroom placement for your child/ren.

Forms will be sent out to verify all of your important numbers that you wish for us to contact. You will be asked to rank them according to priority. *Note that we can send text messages to cell phones, so please indicate which lines are able to receive texts.*

If you need to update your contact information at any point during the school year, please do so on our website under

Parents > Update Your Contact Info here

<http://bit.ly/UpdateContactInformation>

Lunch Program Provider

Our lunch program provider is West Napoli Café in West Roxbury. The cost of lunch per day is \$4. A calendar of the daily lunch offerings is available on our website as a full month PDF or as a downloadable iCalendar or Google Calendar file. Look for it under the "News" section on the homepage. Also, it will also be available on the Plus Portals website under "News." You may download and print a copy from this location.

Value of the Month is Peace

"Let there be Peace on Earth and let it Begin with Me"

Home & School Association

Home & School Update

We're so excited to kick off a new school year and are looking forward to connecting with old friends and meeting new ones. If you're new to Holy Name, looking to meet new people or simply want to get more involved in our wonderful school community, we hope you will join the Holy Name Home & School Association. We really hope you will consider joining our efforts. Come check us out in person from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the school library, Monday 9/10/2018.

Yankee Candle Gift Sale is Coming to Holy Name !

The Holy Name Home & School Association will kick off the new school year with a new fundraiser that we think you will love. We have partnered with Yankee Candle to offer you a wide range of premium candles, fragrances, and home décor items. Yankee Candle is the #1 candle brand in the U.S., which offers items at a wide range of prices.

The Gift Sale will begin on Monday, October 1st and will end on Friday, October 12th. The Yankee Candle catalogs will be sent home with your child before the sale starts. Be on the lookout for more information in the coming weeks.

SAVE THE DATE

Please join us for the 1st Annual **HNPS FALL BALL**

Friday, October 19th

Irish Social Club of Boston, 19 Park Street, West Roxbury, MA

Celebrate the start of the school year with a night of fun at our parent social. See old friends, welcome new parents, mingle, dance, and join our raffle to win great prizes.

CHRISTMAS MARKET PLACE

It is that time of year again! We are planning for our annual Holy Name Christmas Market Place. Holy Name Parish Home & School Association will be hosting its annual Christmas Market Place on Saturday, November 10th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. It will take place in Parish Hall. The cost for renting a table is just \$75 for the day. Vendor applications and table discounts are due by September 30th. Anyone wishing to participate in the Christmas Market Place as a crafter or vendor should contact Kate Plunkett-Tobin at katieplunk@me.com for more information.

