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## Progress Reports are included in today's envelope

Dear Parents,

Now that the warmer weather is here, the students are in the school yard from 7:50 a.m. to 8 a.m.; they are brought into school by their classroom teacher at 8 a.m. Each weekday, we rotate four faculty/staff members to oversee this morning school yard time. One faculty/staff member is in the drop off area to aid parents who are dropping off their children; the others are in different parts of the school yard while the students are playing or talking.

We request that you do not park in the Drop Off Area. If you wish to bring your child into the school yard or into the school, you need to park in an available legal space. It was only after many discussions and meetings with parents, faculty/staff, and city personnel that Holy Name School was able to obtain a designated safe drop off area.

Please remember, if you are bringing your child into the school, you need to show your Parent/student card. Our safety procedures were written and established three years ago and reviewed yearly by our Safety Committee which is comprised of parents, faculty, and staff; the procedures were sent to parents during the summer. All parents received cards on which was written a code to represent their child/children; parents also signed a letter stating that they would abide by the guidelines set forth. All we do is done for the safety and well being of your children. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

A lunch menu order form for the week of May 11<sup>th</sup> through May 15<sup>th</sup> is enclosed. If you are ordering lunch or milk, please return the order form with payment by Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.

*Parents who live in Fall River will receive a Title I envelope with today's letter.* Although Holy Name School does not qualify for much Title I funding, we have in the past few years received about \$3000 to use to help students who need extra academic help. The envelope contains a letter and a Income Eligibility Form. We ask all parents who live in Fall River to complete the Income Eligibility Form and return it to school. Thank you for your help.

The Raffle for Nathan ended April 30<sup>th</sup>; the winners will be drawn tomorrow after Mass by Fr. Jay. A list of winners will be included in next week's letter and in the Holy Name Parish bulletin. Thank you for your support of Nathan and his family.

The first organizational meeting for the Harvest Festival 2015 was most successful. Please save the date – October 3, 2015 for the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Holy Name Parish/School Harvest Festival. The next Harvest Festival meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you have not done so, you may wish to visit the festival's website. It contains much interesting information. The address of the website is www.holynameharvestfestival.org.

We have 24 members of our Track Team which meets from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Next week, we will share two or three of the reflections written by members of the Class of 2015 concerning their recent trip to Washington, DC. From all we heard, it was an outstanding, positive, and educational experience.

The Yankee Candle Fundraiser will continue through this Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for any help you can give us with this fundraiser.

*Included with today's letter are an updated May calendar and a June calendar.* 

The faculty and staff join Fr. Jay and me in wishing all Holy Name School Family mothers and grandmothers a blessed Mother's Day.

Sincerely,

Patricia M. Wardell, Ed. D.

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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