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Dear Parents,

After the excitement and busyness of last weekend's Harvest Festival, it was nice to have a relaxing three day weekend. This week's schedule, as you know, is different from usual. *There is no school for students tomorrow*, Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, it is a Professional Development Day for all faculty members throughout the Diocese of Fall River. *Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>*, *is our "Picture day"; PLUS all students will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m.* Faculty and staff will remain to meet with parents from noon to 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. On Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup> four classes will be involved with special field trips – Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, Grade 2 and Grade 3.

A lunch form for the week of October 19<sup>th</sup> through 23<sup>rd</sup> is enclosed. Please remember to return your lunch/milk order form on Thursday morning. With early dismissal, Mrs. Krauzyk needs to place the orders earlier than usual.

Reminder that Fr. Jay's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass of Thanksgiving is next Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. A reception will be held immediately following the Mass at Holy Name School; all are welcome to attend. If attending the reception, please call the rectory 508-679-6732 or office@holynamefr.com – this will help with a number count for the reception refreshments.

On Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> the school is attempting to offer a "Trunk or Treat" experience for all students. Mrs. Goncalo, our Pre-Kindergarten teacher, has prepared some flyers for students/parents of students in Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 4 and students/parents of students in Grades 5 through Grade 8. Quickly summarized the evening will have the Upper School students (Grades 5 through 8) attending a Halloween Themed Dance in the auditorium beginning at 6 p.m.; students in Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 4 will arrive beginning at 6:30 p.m. – they will go to the Parish Center. A Trunk or Treat experience for Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 4 will be held in the school yard from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. The older students who choose to wear a costume to the dance will have a Trunk or Treat experience from 8:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Additional options, such as a movie, may occur. This evening takes a great deal of coordination, and we are grateful to Mrs. Goncalo and the many parents who work hard to enable our students to enjoy such events.

**AN INVITATION FROM FR. JAY** to students in Grades 3 - 8 (who have received First Communion) to become Altar Servers at Holy Name. It's a wonderful way to serve God, our Parish and our School. The First Practice is **this Saturday**, **Oct. 17, at 1:00 p.m. at Holy Name Church**. Mr. Pietruszka will be instructing the students. There will be several sessions and then they will be able to serve Mass at church and at school. Thanks for encouraging your child(ren) to serve God in this way.

The Fall River Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is holding a special Breakfast Presentation entitled – *Become Aware of "Domestic Violent"*. This vitally important event is being held in the Holy Name School Parish Center on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>beginning at 9 a.m. A flyer is included with today's letter. Parishioner and former Holy Name School parent, District Attorney Thomas Quinn is one of three speakers for the breakfast. We also have been informed that the Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, Bishop of Fall River will be in attendance. Hopefully many parents and older teens will attend.

**Reminders from Mrs. Donna Costa our Futsal Coordinator** (617-759-6152 <u>Donnalcosta@gmail.com</u>) and **Mr. Paul Doiron our CYO Coordinator** (508-675-0405) that student registration forms should be submitted to the office next week. Also, if you are interested in coaching, please call either Mrs. Costa or Mr. Doiron.

Sincerely,

Patricia M. Wardell, Ed. D.

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Principal

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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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