

Holy Name School 850 Pearce Street • Fall River, Massachusetts 02720 T: 508-674-9131 • F: 508-679-0571 • W: <u>www.holynamefr-school.com</u> Dr. Patricia M. Wardell, Principal Rev. Jay T. Maddock, Director

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"Our efforts must aim at restoring hope, righting wrongs, maintaining commitments, and thus promoting the wellbeing and of peoples." –Pope Francis

Dear parents,

As the students along with faculty and staff gathered around to hear the words of His Holiness, Pope Francis, the overall feeling was one of pride and hope. Proud to be a Catholic, proud to be an American and most proud to be part of Holy Name School is what was reflected in everyone's eyes as we witnessed history in the making. You could hear a pin drop around the school as groups gathered in various areas to stream live or watch taped viewings of the words that we will all remember for years to come.

Dr. Wardell would again like to thank everyone for their heartfelt wishes and prayers as she continues to recover. She requested that I share the following message with you: I wish to express special thanks to Mrs. Jayme Chippendale, Holy Names School's Administrative Assistant, for all the extra work she assumed during my recent absence; special thanks to Mrs. Suzanne Lefevre, Holy Name School's Lead Teacher, for her assistance in attending meetings and handling any classroom situations on my behalf. Once again, I am most grateful to all of you and your children for your many prayers. It was they that are enabling me to regain strength and attend to school matters. I am indeed very blessed and grateful to be a member of such a prayerful, loving, faith filled family.

Holy Name School, Miss Brittany Juszkiewicz, its Middle School Science Teacher, and the Middle School students, wish to thank one of our donors for the gift of a full size skeleton; "Sherlock Bones", as he is affectionately called, has been welcomed by all of the middle school students! You can see a picture of him on our Facebook page-Holy Name School Fall River.

*Please remember that the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Harvest Festival will be held in the school yard this coming Saturday October 3<sup>rd</sup>.* Our yard sale will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. and all of the vendors and other activities will begin at 10:00 a.m. There will be something to excite everyone-food, games, vendors and entertainment-just to name a few.

*Please remember that Friday is a half day, dismissal at 11:30 a.m. to begin setting up for the festival.* We will be accepting donations for the yard sale and bake sale at this time.

As many of you are aware, our Music Teacher Mrs. Tavares is due to have her first child in October. As her due date draws nearer, her doctor has signed her out of work to rest. Please keep her in your prayers as she and her husband prepare for the arrival of their baby boy. Also, Mrs. Boardman has been our music class substitute teacher as we continue the process of hiring a long term substitute in Mrs. Tavares's absence. Pageant Rehearsals are on hold for now as various parents and staff work together to plan practices for the Pageant. More information on rehearsals will be forthcoming in the next few weeks.

*It is that time of year once again, time for CYO basketball.* All students that are in grades 4 and up are welcome to join one of the Holy Name CYO Basketball teams. Instructions and an application for CYO are included in this letter for those students interested. Please make checks payable to CYO Holy Name and if you have any questions, please contact Mr. Paul Doiron our Holy Name CYO Coordinator.

## Thank you,

## Jayme Chippendale HNS Administrative Assistant

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