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Dear Parents,

If success if measured by the enjoyment of those in attendance, the attractiveness of the surroundings, the variety and originality of raffle items, the scrumptiousness of menu items, and the quickness with which time passes, then the Gala was a phenomenal success. Thank you to all whose creativeness formed the ideas for the Gala, and to all who made donations to the baskets and other raffle items, purchased raffle tickets, dinner tickets, decorated, or helped in any way to make this very special fundraiser a reality. Hopefully there will be some pictures taken by parents or faculty members that can be shared.

Friday, May 12th Butterfly Kisses Daddy Daughter Dance from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the school's auditorium. There will be dancing, refreshments, photo, and corsage - \$5 per person. Volunteers are needed for decorating, refreshments, help during the dance, and clean up. If you can assist, please contact Nancy Resende by email at nrr7431@aol.com or by phone at 508-472-6896. Another informational and registration flyer is included with today's letter.

IOWA Testing continues this week and next week for students in grades 2 through 8. Please try to have your child (children) in school during the IOWA testing dates. We will provide make-up testing for those who are absent; however, it is better if a child can take the test with his/her classmates. Thank you for your help in this important matter.

A lunch form for the week of May 8th through May 12th is enclosed. If ordering lunch or milk please return the completed form with payment by noon on Thursday, May 4th, no lunch or milk orders will be accepted after that time.

The Uniform Committee will be meeting soon; if you are interested in joining those who have already volunteered. Please let the office know this week. Thank you.

Updated May and June Calendars are included with today's letter.

There is a PTO meeting tomorrow evening, May 3rd at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. All are welcome to attend. An agenda is included with today's letter.

The Catholic Education Center has approved our calendar for the end of the year. Holy Name School had four no school days – three of them were due to weather conditions and one was due to a burst pipe. Holy Name School also received a Bishop's Day (all parochial schools did). We did not use the Bishop's Day during the year; we are using it to offset one of our no school days. Therefore, the last day of school for Holy Name School students in Tuesday, June 13th. All students will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m. on June 13th to begin their summer vacation.

Special Dates and Events to Remember - Listed in order of their occurrence:

- Saturday, May 6th the Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be held at Holy Name Church at 11 a.m.
- On Sunday, May 7th after the 10:30 a.m. Mass there will be a May Procession and Crowning. First Communion children wear their dresses / suits, etc. and take part in the procession.
- A Free Family experience "A Whale of a Family Night!" on Wednesday, May 17th from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Dana Holhler-Faria Science & Mathematics Center at Bridgewater State University. Fun hands-on activities from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m; viewing of Salt, the inflatable whale is from 4 6 p.m.; and a "whale" presentation by Krill Carson begins at 6:30 p.m. To register, please visit https://goo.gl/forms/Mj150OFbkqpdalU2.
- We continue to collect non-perishable food items for "The Sacred Heart Soup Kitchen/Food Pantry at St. Bernadette Parish". Items that are especially needed are: Hearty Soups and Stews, Clam Chowder, Pasta & Sauce, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Macaroni & Cheese and both Hot/Cold Cereal. If you can bring in a non-perishable food item, please do so; the next time food items will be sent to St Bernadette's is on Tuesday, May 30th.
- A special event for families is being held on June 3rd at 1:30 p.m. at Holy Cross Family Ministries. The afternoon will include fun activities, a theatrical production, rosary prayer, Adoration, Mass and a family meal. For more information please contact Anne McMenamy at 508-238-4095 extension 2038.
- **HELP NEEDED:** Our family outing is schedule for Saturday June 10th; we need one or more parents to coordinate this event. The school supplies the hot dogs, hamburgers, buns, and water, parents bring a food item. Everyone shares; games are played. It is a great way to end the school year. Please call the school if you can help us.
- Sunday, June 11th Mother Son Outing at McCoy stadium in Pawtucket, RI. PawSox versus Buffalo; game starts at 1:35 p.m. Tickets for the game are \$8 each which includes a \$2 credit toward a drink or food. Transportation is not included in this price. A registration and informational flyer is included with today's letter. Any question please contact Christine Cyr at 774-526-4064 or chriscyr20@gmail.com
- Holy Name Parish Vacation Bible Camp 2017 will be held from July 31st August 4th 9 am to noon each day. A registration form is included with today's letter, will be available on our website, at school, and will be placed on our facebook page. There are only a limited number of spots available; cost is \$35 if registered before June 1st and \$45 registration fee beginning June 2nd.

With gratitude for all you do.

Patricia M. Wardell, Ed. D.

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