

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 14 - NO CLASSES**

We wish you and your loved ones a safe, happy and blessed Thanksgiving weekend!
Щасливого Дня Подяки!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15 - DISTRIBUTION OF IHMS FUND RAISING RAFFLE

As indicated in the Fund Raising section of the IHMS Handbook, one of the fund raising events for the school year is the 2024 Fund Raising Raffle. The Fund Raising Raffle is an important fundraising activity for the school, and as well has the potential of distributing up to \$7,000.00 in prizes to the winners! Last year 13 families in our school community were \$200.00 winners ... and one IHMS family won the \$3,000 grand prize! Each family is allocated 2 Raffle Tickets to sell or purchase, valued at \$50.00 each. Tickets will be distributed on Tuesday, October 15. The ticket stubs and money are due on Tuesday, November 12. Cash or cheque payments only. The Raffle takes place on Wednesday, November 27. Thank you for your support!

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17 - GR. 1 HOME READING INFORMATION SESSION**

All Grade 1 students and their parents are encouraged to attend this meeting at 5:30PM at the school. The Home Reading Session is intended to inform Grade 1 parents on how the Grade 1 Home Reading Program works. Information will also be presented on helpful tips for reading at home with your child.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17 - HOT DOG DAY

Order Forms were sent out last week, and a delicious hot dog lunch will be served on Thursday, October 17.

Plan ahead! Look out for future Hot Dog Order dates on the calendar and don't forget to get your change ready! It helps things run smoothly when students have exact change on Hot Dog Order Day. Please note, the School Office does have keep cash change on hand, to break large bills.

**PREPARING FOR HALLOWEEN**

On October 31, students may wear a fun and creative costume to school, or students may come dressed in black and orange. Costumes must not depict a scary or evil character. Due to health & safety concerns, no food or candy treats please.

**PARENTS' GUILD**

SAVE THE DATE! At the next Parents' Guild meeting on Monday, November 4, 2024, there will be an information session on the admission process for Catholic High Schools lead by Mr. Picklyk. Child care is available for those that need to bring their children. The Parents' Guild is still looking for a Secretary to dedicate a few hours a month to our meetings! You can use the [Volunteer Link](#) and click on the October tab for more information and to sign up.

PRESCRIBED MEDICATIONS

Any prescribed medication to be administered during school hours shall only be permitted upon receipt of a completed *Administration of Prescribed Medication Form* by the student's parent/guardian. This form is available at the school office. All medications must be in the original pharmacy labelled container which clearly identifies the medications.

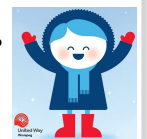
ACCESS TO THE SCHOOL

Thought out the school day the doors are locked. The front doors (facing north) will be unlocked between 7:15 AM and 9:00 AM, and 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Families using the After School Program are to use the back doors of the school and will be admitted into the building using the buzzer and the monitored security system. All visitors to the school throughout the day must buzz into the office via the monitored security system and report to the School Office.

**KOATS FOR KIDS**

Every year, from September to January, Winnipeggers donate over 6,000 coats to Koats for Kids. United Way then shares this winter gear with Winnipeg families. Families requiring assistance with winter wear can contact the School Office, and IHMS will initiate the process of requesting winter clothing on a family's behalf.

Have winter outerwear to share?
Visit the [Koats for Kids link](#) for drop off locations near you!

**PRAYERS FOR THE HEALTH OF MOST REVEREND METROPOLITAN LAWRENCE HUCULAK, OSBM**

Metropolitan Lawrence remains hospitalized as he continues to receive treatment following his COVID diagnosis on Saturday, October 5, 2024. After experiencing shortness of breath and other moderate symptoms, Metropolitan Lawrence was admitted to the ICU at a Winnipeg hospital. Further tests revealed that the virus had significantly impacted his respiratory system and kidneys. He is currently on a ventilator to aid in his recovery.



"We are very thankful for the excellent medical care Metropolitan Lawrence is receiving and for the prayers and support from our faithful, clergy, and religious," said Bishop Andriy Rabyi, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archeparchy of Winnipeg. "We trust the good Lord will look down mercifully upon Metropolitan Lawrence and heal him from his infirmity."

The Archeparchy kindly requests that the privacy of Metropolitan Lawrence be respected during his recovery. Please continue to offer prayers for Metropolitan Lawrence through the intercession of Blessed Nykyta Budka, Blessed Vasyly Velychkovsky, and Blessed Yosaphata Hordashevska during this challenging time.

**OCTOBER**

- 14 NO CLASSES - Thanksgiving Day
- 15 Raffle Ticket Distribution
- 17 5:30PM Gr.1 Home Reading Info Session
- 17 Hot Dog Lunch Day
- 22 Pizza Order Day - \$2.50 / slice
- 24 Pizza Lunch Day
- 24 1:00PM Grades 6-8 Immunization Clinic
- 25 NO CLASSES - Provincial Inservice Day
- 25 Grade 7 Babysitters Course
- 29 1:00PM Sacrament of Confessions
- 30 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy at Sts. Volodymyr and Olha Cathedral
- 31 N.U.T Day - No Uniforms Today!
Halloween Dress-up (fun & friendly costumes)

VOLUNTEER FORMS AND BOND CHEQUE

Thank you to everyone who responded to the reminder to submit the Volunteer Bond Fee (\$400)!! Please continue to submit Volunteer Forms and bond fees by cheque or credit card authorization.

GRADE 5 RECYCLING TEAM!

Along with their regular recycling program at the school, the Grade 5 class will continue to collect tabs from aluminum cans. These tabs are collected and used in a program to help provide wheelchairs to children.

