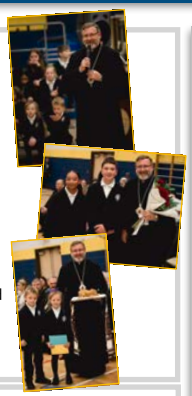
HIS BEATITUDE SVIATOSLAV SHEVCHUK VISITED IHMS



It was a monumental day for IHMS on Friday morning, November 6, when the Father and Head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, His Beatitude Sviatoslav Shevchuk, visited Immaculate Heart of Mary School. Meeting with students, staff and parents, His Beatitude shared reflections on the value of education, the opportunities available to children in Canada, and the experiences of their peers in Ukraine. Along with His Beatitude, bishops, priests, and many Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate were also present. The students performed three very heartfelt songs under the direction of Mrs. Paches (Music Teacher). The Kindergarten class displayed beautiful pieces of 'wheat artwork' they created with their teacher, Mrs. Kravtchouk. Emily Konopelny (Grade 1) and Nikolas Wozny (Grade 1) welcomed our special guests with a traditional kolach and salt. Sr. Patricia Lacey brought greetings on behalf of the Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate. Students Ostap Horshynskyi (Grade 8) and Mya Carait Smith (Grade 7) presented flowers and greetings on behalf of IHMS. His Beatitude shared inspiring words with the students and staff, then personally visited each class. In closing, he asked the children to pray for Ukraine."Do not take for granted all the opportunities and blessings that Canada offers you. May God be your light, His wisdom your knowledge, and His grace your strength," wished His Beatitude Sviatoslav.

For additional photos and a video visit: Beatitude Visits IHMS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10 - PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES SIGN-UP OPEN



* Parent/Teacher Conferences are an essential part of our communication strategy regarding student progress. In-person conferences are scheduled for the week of November 23-27.
* To book an appointment, an electronic sign-up will open at noon on Tuesday, November 10, 2026. An email containing the sign-up link and instructions will be sent out on Tuesday. The deadline to schedule a conference is Monday, November 16, at noon. All families are encouraged to take this opportunity to meet with their child's teacher(s) and discuss their progress.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11 - NO CLASSES - REMEMBRANCE DAY

Canadians recognize Remembrance Day on November 11th to honour and remember the sacrifices of all who served and died in Canada's defence, from the First World War to the present day.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12 - IHMS FUND RAISING RAFFLE STUBS DUE



Two Fund Raising Raffle Tickets were distributed to every IHMS family on October 26. **The ticket stubs and money are due back on Thursday, November 12.** Tickets are sold for $50.00. All IHMS families are responsible for selling/purchasing at least two Raffle Tickets at a total value of $100.00. Additional tickets are available in the School Office.

Payment can be made by cash, e-Transfer to raffle@ihms.mb.ca, or by cheque (payable to Immaculate Heart of Mary School). The IHMS Fundraising Raffle will be held at 7:00 PM, Wednesday, November 25 in the school gymnasium. Winners do not need to be present to win. Your support is appreciated!

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13 - NO CLASSES - INSERVICE DAY

IHMS staff are working on preparing student Progress Reports. Progress Reports provide information regarding a student's academic achievement, attendance and social development. Report Cards are being sent home Friday, November 20.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 - UNIFORM SHOP OPEN



Families can purchase uniforms from the IHMS Uniform Shop by with shopping in-person at the Shop or by ordering online. For more information, please visit: https://ihms.mb.ca/school-life/uniforms/

- It is very important for families to make an appointment if visiting the Uniform Shop in person. Walk-up sales will not be allowed. Thank you for your cooperation.
- When visiting the Uniform Shop in person, each appointment time slot is 20 minutes. Please be respectful of the schedule.

NOVEMBER BOOK FAIR



November is here, and so many of you have been asking, **"When is Book Fair?"** You do not have to wait long! The annual **IHMS Scholastic Book Fair** will take place Monday, November 23 to Thursday, November 26, 2026.

This is your opportunity to purchase books and fun school tools while supporting our school at the same time! It is an excellent opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping! Profits from the book fair go directly back to the school library and classroom book collections. A note with more information about the Book Fair will be sent home with students one week before the event. Please contact Olha Mala at the school office to inquire about volunteering times.



Mrs. Radawetz (Librarian)

ST. PHILIP'S FAST | PYLYPIVKA

Ukrainian Catholics refer to the pre-Christmas fast period as Pylypivka or St. Philip's Fast, because it always begins on the feast of St. Philip the Apostle on November 15. Pylypivka is a time of preparation before Christmas, similar to Advent. The Church offers this time to remind us of the great celebration of God's love that we will soon be observing as we again focus on His birth among us. Parents, family and friends are invited to join us as we bring focus to this special time of year with a Prayer Service on Friday, November 20 at 9:00 AM. Students will also participate in special morning prayers and a Christian Service Project. More information on the theme that is being developed for Pylypivka is forthcoming.



NOVEMBER

LOOKING AHEAD

9 $2.00 Poppy donation due date
10 10:30 AM Remembrance Day Service Assembly
11 NO CLASSES - Remembrance Day
12 2:00 PM EARLY DISMISSAL - Staff Meeting
12 Hot Dog Lunch Day
12 Fundraising Raffle Tickets stubs and money due
13 NO CLASSES - IHMS Inservice Day
16 Parent / Teacher Conference replies due
16-20 Volleyball Playoffs Week
17 Pizza Order Day - $2.50 / slice
18 Uniform Shop Open 3:00-5:00
19 Pizza Lunch Day
19 Kernels Popcorn orders due
20 Blessed Josaphata Day
20 9:00 AM Pylypivka Prayer Service
20 Gift Card orders due
20 First Term Report Card Sent Home
23-27 Parent / Teacher Conference Week
23-27 Scholastic Book Fair
25 7:00 PM IHMS Fundraising Raffle $50/ticket
26 Parent/Teacher Interviews (Evening)
27 NO CLASSES - Parent/Teacher Interviews

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12 EARLY DISMISSAL AT 2:00 PM



After-school supervision is not provided on Early Dismissal days, and all children should be picked up promptly at 2:00PM.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SignUp Genius

A few new opportunities will be posted on Monday for the month of November.
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/2026ihmsvollink#/

LABELLING UNIFORMS

mabel's labels

The Parents' Guild is fundraising with Mabel's Labels - personalized, durable, waterproof labels. They are great for everything from shoes, uniform tags, water bottles and backpacks. They even offer name ink stamps for labelling. To support our fundraiser, visit campaigns.mabelslabels.com and select **Immaculate Heart of Mary School (Winnipeg).**

PARENTS' GUILD CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISERS

The Parents' Guild is offering two fundraising options: Kernels Popcorn and Gift Cards. Choose to support one or a little bit of both; the choice is yours! Notes and forms were sent home, and more information can be found on the IHMS website https://ihms.mb.ca/admissions/fund-raising/



Kernels Popcorn orders due date is November 19. Please send order forms to the office or to parentsguild@ihms.mb.ca. Payment can be made by EFT to parentsguild_eft@ihms.mb.ca, or by cash (exact amount), or by cheque (made payable to IHMS Parents' Guild).

For Gift Card Orders, please visit https://ordering.fundscrip.com/33NCLP **Due Date** is Friday, November 20.

