

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

Junior Kindergarten January 10, 2025

Teacher's Message/Announcements

Immunization and School Entrance Health Forms

Students enrolling in **Kindergarten** need to have a <u>Commonwealth of Virginia School Entrance Health form</u>. Physicals, including updated immunizations, must have been <u>on or after August 20th</u>, <u>2024</u>. Please <u>submit the entire document</u>. This form should not require an additional doctor's visit if they have been seen within this time frame. Many doctor's offices get busy over the summer with form requests, please ask for this as soon as possible. Your child **CAN NOT** attend school until these papers are provided and are reviewed by the school nurse. Feel free to start sending them in from now.

Calendar/Important Dates

- January 10, 2025: End of 2nd Quarter; 11:30 Dismissal
- January 20, 2025: No School, Martin Luther King Jr

Teacher email addresses

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Math

Ms. Wawner's class started a unit on symmetry this week. Students learned how something is symmetrical if it is the same on both sides. We looked at symmetry in shapes and in nature. We identified different items in our classroom that have symmetry. We will continue playing with symmetry next week. Ms. Shank's class will continue working on graphing and teen numbers.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Ms. Wawner's class learned about the letter Rr this week. We also started an author study of Ezra Jack Keats and read the book "The Snowy Day," comparing what the main character Peter did during his snowy day and how we like to spend our snowy days. We will continue to learn about the letter Rr next week, as many students were absent due to the weather. We will also continue with our author study. Ms. Shank's class was introduced to the letter Ll. Due to our closings during this we will continue working our letter Ll, rhyming, and our reading groups next week.

Theology/SEL

Ms. Wawner's class talked about new year's resolutions and how sometimes it's nice to make a new goal at the start of the year. We brainstormed different things we may want to learn or get better at and each student picked one to draw. Next week we will learn a little about Martin Luther King and his legacy of peace and equality. Ms. Shank's class did not have a chance to study Jonah and the Whale this week so we will push that until next week.

Science and Social Studies

Ms. Wawner's classroom has been turned into the Arctic Tundra for the month of January. We have started off learning about the weather and landscape of this specific biome. We will learn about snow and ice as a part of this unit and will also study different animals that have adapted to live there. Ms. Shank's class will continue working on our 5 senses. We explored our sense of taste with an apple tasting exploration. We also used our sense of smell and played a guessing game. After next week we will begin our unit on the Snow and ice.