

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

5th Grade 01/12/2024

Teacher's Message/Announcements:

- SAVE THE DATE: We will be taking our field trip to James Madison's Montpelier on Friday, April 19. We'll send out more details and permission slips as we get closer to the date.
- **Please save and send in empty 2 liter bottles (rinsed please) for science.
- The Battle of the Books is a reading incentive program. Students read books and then compete in a team trivia-style competition. The Diocese of Richmond has tentatively set a date for Wednesday, March 29 for schools to participate. We will have a grades 3-5 team and a 6-8 team. If your child would like to participate, please email Mrs. DeVane (I.devane@cvillecatholic.org).
 - o 3-5 Book List
 - o 6-8 Book List.

Calendar/Important Dates:

- Monday, January 15: No School MLK Day
- Thursday, January 18: MAP testing Reading
- Friday, January 19: Math Fraction TEST

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Reading, Writing and Theology Math, Science and Social Studies

Social Studies

In history we will be learning about early US history and how we came to be a nation. We will be learning about major events of the American Revolution.

Math

We have been estimating fractions, working with mixed numbers, adding and subtracting like and unlike fractions, reducing fractions to their lowest terms and more. Our unit 9 test will be on Friday, January 19th.

To reinforce math concepts and skills, students are assigned sections for Khan Academy (khanacademy.org). This is for a grade. Students have their login and password in their planner. The 3rd qtr. requirements, **due before the end of the quarter 3/19/24** are Coordinate Plane, Line Plots and Multiplying decimals (under 5th grade - **not** Getting Ready for 5th).

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week we had a quiz on subjects and subject complements and on defining words in context. We also read two stories in the *Journeys* anthology. We also started a unit on Greek and Latin affixes, and students will have a quiz on that material early the week of January 22.

With the four-day week next week, and MAP testing, we will not have any tests or quizzes. We will continue with the unit on affixes and will read another short story in *Journeys*. Early the following week, we will begin reading *Love That Dog*.

Theology

This week students began a unit on prayer. We will continue that unit next week.

Science

As we learned more about Earth's structure and landforms, we made topographic models and topographic maps. We will continue to focus on the biosphere, lithosphere, hydrosphere and atmosphere.