



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
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Friday Newsletter

Jan 13, 2023

2nd Grade

Dear Rainbow Cheetah and Silly Sloth families,

Second grade is so looking forward to their upcoming field trip next month. Thank you so much for ensuring permission slips were turned in and a huge thank you to all of you who have volunteered to help chaperone. We really couldn't do it all without you!

Testing! Testing! Read all about it! Next week, 2nd grade is taking their Winter session for MAP testing. Please note the testing dates below to ensure your child gets a good night sleep the night before and a good breakfast the morning of. They will do great!

God bless,
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Calendar

1/12 - End of the 2nd Quarter
1/13 - No School
1/16 - No School
1/18 - Chapter 3 Math Test
1/19 - MAP Growth Reading Test
1/20 - MAP Growth Math Test
1/20 - Report Cards Released in FACTS
1/27 - Famous American Project Presentations

2/7 - Field Trip to Paramount Theater
1/29-2/4 - Catholic Schools Week
2/3 - Blue and Gold Day
2/20 - No School
2/21 - Mexican Fiesta
3/4 - Father/Daughter Dance
4/3 - Spring Dress Begins
4/6-4/14 - Easter Break
4/21 - Blue and Gold Day
4/29 - Gala Auction
5/12 - Grandparents' Day, JK-5 Spring Concert, Spring Musical
5/26 - 11:30 Dismissal
5/29 - No School
6/2 - Blue and Gold Day

Announcements

- MAP Growth Testing will take place next week. The reading test will be January 19 and the math test will be January 20. The best way to prepare your cutie is to help make sure he/she gets lots of restful sleep and eats a healthy breakfast.
- No spelling instruction, test, or homework next week. We'll focus on MAP Growth Testing.
- Report Cards will be released in FACTS on Friday, January 20.
- Brrr! Please help your child dress warmly for outdoor play, in labeled outerwear! Students who are not appropriately dressed for the weather will need to stay inside. If you're missing uniform/spirit wear items, check out the CCS Lost & Found (located in the stairwell near the cafeteria), as well as the Silly Sloth Classroom Lost & Found (located in a box under the ActivPanel), which, by the way it is overflowing, may soon be renamed Robinson's Rummage!!
- If you would like to volunteer to work with students at CCS or chaperone field trips, you need to be VIRTUS-trained. The next VIRTUS training session will be Saturday, January 28, at the CCS Library from 1:00-4:00. Capacity is limited to 30 people. You may register at https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme=0

Math

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3!!! The Sloths and Cheetahs are both independent and proficient with two digit addition, with and without regrouping. We've taught several strategies, including the algorithm, with a bit of a twist. If your child hasn't taught you how to do elevator math

yet, you'll love hearing him/her explain how it works! Our marvelous mathematicians will be ready for the Chapter 3 Test on Wednesday, January 18.

Jump on in! The water's fine! SplashLearn.com is a fabulous math resource for home use! Your child may access the site for free to complete work that we assign.

Literacy

From *The Twits* to *The BFG*, the Cheetahs and Sloths are being treated to "laugh-out-loud" funny books by beloved children's author Roald Dahl. We'll read several of his creative and hilarious tales between now and March 13 when we celebrate his half-birthday with an epic birthday bash!

Nouns, nouns, everywhere! From common nouns to plural nouns, and everything in between, second grade is flexing its grammar muscles! The Sloths and Cheetahs will be ready to tackle more noun challenges next week!

As writers, our sweet storytellers are practicing getting ideas for writing, consistently using punctuation and capitalization, increasing writing stamina, adding details and describing words to make their pieces come to life, and editing for clarity. The Author's Chair is a favorite way for the Cheetahs and Sloths to share works in progress, as well as finished pieces.

Religion

This week was all about Prayer. Our little theologians learned about different types of prayer, that prayer is both talking *and* listening to God, participated in a peaceful meditative prayer (that they LOVED!), and learned about how our 5 fingers remind us what special people to pray for.

Next week, they will continue their unit on prayer.

Science/Social Studies

Famous and Fabulous! The Sloths and Cheetahs learned all about Helen Keller, Cesar Chavez, Jackie Robinson, Thurgood Marshall, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Rosa Parks this week. Talk about a group of inspiring people! Check folders for graded quizzes today and ask your sweetheart what it was like to make sandwiches blindfolded!

Our happy historians are gearing up to "wow" you with another polished project! After reading a biography, our radiant researchers will select important information from these nonfiction texts to highlight in one of three awesome projects:

- Interview - "The Talker" - Students will showcase their flair for drama by writing and acting out a script in which their famous person is interviewed on a "TV Talk Show"
- Portrait - "The Artist" - Students will create a lifesize portrait of their famous person with handwritten facts and textural details (buttons, yarn, paint, fabric, etc.) with factual context (example: including a bus for Rosa Parks or a kite and key for Benjamin Franklin) to entice their viewers
- Google Slideshow - "The Techie" - Students will take on the role of "professor" to

create a captivating Google slideshow full of facts about their famous person to present to their second grade classmates.

We're planning to present these projects on Friday, January 27. Details and timing will be shared ASAP!



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Dear Parent or Legal Guardian:

Your child is eligible to participate in a school sponsored activity requiring transportation to a location away from the school building. This activity will take place under the guidance and supervision of employees from Charlottesville Catholic School. A brief description of the activity follows:

Name of Event: Danny Carmo's Mathematical Mysteries

Educational Objective: estimation, mental calculation, patterns, number grids, rows/columns, probability, fractions, place value, elementary algebra

Sponsor of Activity: Second Grade

Date and time of departure: February 7, 2023 - 11:30 am

Date and time of return: February 7, 2023 - 2:15 pm

Method of transportation: Parent Chaperone Car Pool

Please return this form by: Thursday, February 12, 2023

If you would like your child to participate in this event, please complete, sign, and return the following statement of consent and release of liability. As parent or legal guardian, you remain fully responsible for any legal responsibility which may result from any personal actions taken by the named student.

I request and give permission for my child, _____, to participate in the event described above. I understand that this event will take place away from the school grounds and that my child will be under the supervision of the designated school employee on the stated dates. I further consent to the conditions stated above on participation in this event, including the method of transportation. I also give the school permission to obtain emergency medical treatment for my child during the course of this trip.

(Print Parent's Name)

(Parent's Signature)

Contact person in case of emergency: _____
number: _____

Phone