



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

January 12, 2023

Kindergarten

We want to express our sincere gratitude for all those who volunteer in the classroom and with the PTO. We are very grateful for your time and appreciate all that you do to contribute to the success of our students. We appreciate the encouragement that you give to our staff. You are a blessing!

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

Please feel free to reach out with any questions or comments. The best way to reach us is by email.

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Winter Dress/Outerwear

Please pay attention to the temperature and make sure your child has a winter coat. We go out in the morning and afternoon.

Please see the Uniform Policy (found in the Resource Documents section of FACTS Family Portal and at the bottom of this page) for specifics. **As a reminder, students may only wear CCS sweatshirts or fleeces inside the building.**

Please label all outerwear. It is helpful to sew a ribbon into the tag so that your child can easily identify his or her jacket. Please teach your child how to zip his or her jacket.

- Please send a school fleece or sweater for the classroom in case your child is cold in the building.
- Please label everything that you would like returned to your house. Over the years, we have had a very high rate of return for misplaced items that were clearly labeled.

Important Dates

- 1 /13 No school
- 1/16 No school
- 1/29-2/4 Catholic Schools Week
- 1/3 Blue & Gold Day
- 2/17 School Closed for Parent/Teacher conferences
- 2/20 School Closed for Presidents Day
- 2/21 Mexican Fiesta
- 2/22 Ash Wednesday
- 3/3 Blue & Gold Day
- 3/4 Father Daughter Dance
- 3/24 School Closed Student//Teacher Holiday
- 3/27 School Closed Teacher Work Day
- 4/3 Spring dress begins
- 4/6 - 4/14 Easter Break
- 4/21 Blue and Gold Day
- 4/29 Gala Auction
- 5/5 Blue and Gold Day
- 5-8 Book Fair and Art Show
- 5/12 Grandparents' Day, JK-5 Spring Concert, Spring Musical
- 5/26 11:30 Dismissal
- 5/29 School Closed for Memorial Day
- 6/2 Blue and Gold Day
- 6/7 Kindergarten Ceremony and last day for kindergarten

Social Studies

Students say prayers and the Pledge of Allegiance each day. We learned about Martin Luther King Jr.

Math

We continued our Math Journals this week. Each day we graph the weather for the day, add a number to our calendar, draw a circle in our 180 day ten frame chart, and color in a number in our 100s chart. We composed and decomposed numbers up to 10. We continued our unit in addition.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

We continued fluency passages this week. Each passage focuses on a particular word family, consonant blend, or digraph. Please have your child read these passages to you at home. Students are learning to blend sounds to read consonant-vowel-consonant words. Please continue to practice sight words at home. Students are working on pencil grip and writing on the lines. Students are learning the structure of Daily Five. As we send books home, please have your child point to each word and read the book three or more times. We are working hard to help students build independence by approaching tasks with the following guidelines: get started right away, work the whole time, stay in one spot, work quietly, build your stamina. Students have been highlighting sight words and reading. We are reading Psalm 23. Please ask your child to read Psalm 23 with you. We also read Five Funny Penguins.

Religion

We read a Bible story each day, prayed and talked about how God led the Israelites to the promised land. We also have a science related devotion each day and we are learning a lot about God's amazing world. Each day, students listened to a Bible story, color an ornament that represents the story, and hung it on their Jesse trees. We also read Psalm 23 each day.

Science

We made stuffed snowmen out of a sock, beads, and stuffing. We used the science vocabulary push and pull.

<https://www.steamda.com/summer-experience>

<https://www.steamda.com/schoolyearprograms>

Steam Discovery Academy: <https://www.steamda.com/charlottesville>

Other Information

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<https://cvillecatholic.us11.list-manage.com/track/click?u=9b38293f7bcd2ecbc2bab7c88&id=a89cb5f427&e=fdab17459c>

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Kindergarten website

<https://sites.google.com/cvillecatholic.org/ccs-kindergarten-website/home>

Songs and story links:

Hartman Penguin dance: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uf0uKmkwnKs>

Hartman Penguin: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EBHtpU1tB3E>

Learning Station: Penguin: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FEpPjhVtdc>

Creation song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nY2W4nOD_x8

["Jesus Loves Me" by Listener Kids - YouTube](#)

Let's Go Deep, Deep, Deep <https://video.link/w/UXT1d>

[Power Shuffle | Everest VBS Music Video | Group Publishing](#)

▶ See It, Say It, Sign It | Letter Sounds | ASL Alphabet | Jack Hartmann

Exercise, Rhyme and Freeze | Rhyming Words for Kids | Exercise Song | Jack

Hartmann: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cSPmGPIyykU>

Where Do you Start Your Letters <https://video.link/w/OjNAc>

Thank you song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0eEkWvekQiE>

<http://thisreadingmama.com/101-alphabet-activities-printables/>

<http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/alphabet-games>

<http://www.kizclub.com/activities.htm>

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▶ See It Say It Sign It Volume 2 Jack Hartmann ASL Alphabet

Sound pronunciation:

<https://sightwords.com/phonemic-awareness/sound-pronunciations/#chart>

Raz-Kids Students began reading books on Raz-kids. This online program allows each student to select a book, listen to it, read it themselves, and then answer comprehension questions. Students get 150 digital stars for completing all three parts of each book.

Parent Tool Kit for Raz-kids:

<https://www.kidsa-z.com/shared/images/teacherCorner/learninga-z-parent-t>

****This list is meant to be used for items intended to be SHARED such as for celebrations/special events****

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables are ok

No soy beans, edamame, peas or lentils

No hummus

No pineapple, strawberries, coconut

Chips/Pretzels/Popcorn

Wise Kettle chips (certain flavors – read label)

Wise Popcorn – butter and white cheddar variety (white cheddar contains milk product)

Frito Lays Chips & Frito Lays Simply products (certain flavors – read label)

Skinny Pop

Pirates Booty

Rold Gold pretzels

Goldfish pretzels

Utz chips – (certain flavors - read label)

Annie's Organic

Sensible Portions Veggie Straws (sea salt only)

Orville Redenbacher microwave popcorn (no cheese flavors)

Crackers

Goldfish

Annie's organic

Cheez – its

Ritz Crackers

Wheat Thins

Made Good

Honey Maid honey graham crackers

Cookies

Oreos – original and original double stuff (blue packaging)

Teddy Grahams

Nilla Wafers
Lofthouse
School Safe (additional items include cupcakes)
Annie's Organic
Barnum Animal crackers
Zee Zees (**no sunflower seeds/ no coconut products**)
Rice Krispie Treats – prepackaged; not homemade
Made Good
Enjoy Life (various types) gingerbread

Candy/Treats

Dum Dums
Charms
Smarties
Tootsie Rolls/Tootsie Pops
Campfire Marshmallows
Welch's Fruit Snacks
Yum Earth gummies and candies
Free2b
Enjoy Life chocolates
York Peppermint Patties
Life Savers
Haribo Gummy Bears
Spangler Candy Canes

Frozen Treats (NO PINEAPPLE/COCONUT/STRAWBERRY or DAIRY)

Popsicle Brand Ices
Luigi's
Philly Swirl
Outshine
DeeBee's Organics

Pizza – (NO PESTO – NO DESSERTS) cheese or cheese and pepperoni;
original crust

Papa John's

Dominos

Endzone (local in Forest Lakes Shopping Center)

****May need to consider gluten and cheese free options dependent on class****

Drinks - reminder to avoid certain fruit flavors

Juicy juice

Apple and Eve (no fruit punch/strawberry)

Honest Kids - berry lemonade flavor

Swiss Miss hot chocolate (no marshmallows and there is a dairy free option as well)

Brands - Multiple Products

ENjoy Life

Made Good

Vermont Nut Free

Yum Earth

Free2b

Holiday items that are free from most allergens

- Spangler's Candy Canes
- Swiss Miss hot chocolate (without marshmallows and consider a dairy free option as well)
- Campfire marshmallows
- Enjoy Life Brand gingerbread cookies

Please see the list at the end of this letter.