



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

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Friday Newsletter

5th Grade

01/19/2024

Teacher's Message/Announcements:

- See the important note in the Language Arts section about second quarter IRAs.
- **Please save and send in empty **2 liter bottles** (rinsed please) for science.

Calendar/Important Dates:

- **Tuesday, January 23:** Quiz on Greek and Latin affixes
- **Wednesday, January 24:** MAP testing - math
- **Tuesday, January 30:** Science Test

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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. We will be starting our new unit on multiplying fractions (easy stuff) and reducing fractions to their simplest terms (harder stuff).

To reinforce math concepts and skills, students are assigned sections for Khan Academy ([khanacademy.org](https://www.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 short week students took the MAP Reading assessment, worked on Greek and Latin affixes, and read a short story in the *Journeys* book. Students also reviewed the comments I made on their second quarter IRAs and made corrections for some of the errors identified in them. ***Please review your child's IRA grades and comments (on Google Classroom), as we continue to see many of the same errors being made on different assignments. Most of the IRAs were very good, but there were a few that received very low grades that affected the language arts grade. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the grades and/or comments.***

Next week we will begin reading *Love That Dog* and will begin a unit on prepositions in grammar. That grammar unit tends to be challenging for students, so we will spend some time going over the material. Students will also have a quiz on Greek and Latin affixes on Tuesday.

Theology

This week students continued our study of prayer, and we began to prepare for Catholic Schools Week. Next week, we will continue focusing on prayer, and we will hold the class-level Catholic Bee.

Science

We have been focused on the biosphere, lithosphere, hydrosphere and atmosphere. We will be learning about conservation, recycling, reducing and reusing. We will talk about how humans interact with the earth and its positive and negative effects.

Celebrating Catholic Schools Week: January 28th–February 3rd

“United in Faith and Community”

Sunday, January 28:

We celebrate our parishes!

Students are asked to wear their formal dress uniforms to Mass/church services.

A sign-up will be in the Tuesday Teller for students to serve at Masses.

Students will also be speaking at Masses at our Catholic parishes.

Monday, January 29:

We celebrate our community!

We will collect food all week to benefit the Blue Ridge Food Bank. More information will be in the Tuesday Teller.

Dress Down Day for Commonwealth Catholic Charities—see the flyer and information below.

Tuesday, January 30:

We celebrate our students!

Formal Dress for Mass

NJHS and Faith in Action will host a bake sale to benefit St. Mary the Mother of God Church in Wytheville.

Wednesday, January 31:

We celebrate our nation!

Blue Ribbon T-shirts may be worn with jeans or CCS-crested sweatpants (if not wearing the Blue Ribbon shirts, students must be in regular uniform).

NJHS and Faith in Action Bake Sale

Thursday, February 1:

We celebrate our vocations!

Regular Uniforms

Friday, February 2:

We celebrate our faculty, staff, and families!

Blue & Gold Day

Living Rosary 8:15

Catholic Bee Finals 1:00

Faith Rally



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Unidos en Fe y Comunidad



Uniting in Faith & Community

Students can dress down on

for \$5.00 to support CCC programs.

Please have students bring their donation to

the week of

As the social services arm of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, CCC is a leading nonprofit provider of compassionate human services to individuals and families. CCC offers more than 30 unique programs from 11 office locations in Central, Eastern, and Southwest Virginia.

CCC's programs include: Adoption & Pregnancy Support, Developmental Disabilities Support, Food Pantries, Foster Care, Homeless Services, Housing & Financial Counseling, Interpreter Services, Mental Health Counseling, Refugee & Immigration Services, and Senior Services.



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