



Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

January 20, 2023

Thank you for entrusting your precious children into our care each day. It is a joy to watch our students learn and grow. We are thankful for you!

Kindergarten

We plan to have at least two field trips this spring.

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

- 1/29-2/4 Catholic Schools Week
- 2/3 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 famous black Americans.

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 finished our unit in addition and began subtraction. Please have your child practice counting by ones, fives, and tens to 100.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

We did several activities related to the stories *The Mitten* and *The Hat* by Jan Brett. 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.

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. We also read Psalm 23 each day.

Science

We made snow using baking soda and conditioner. We also did an experiment in which we created condensation using warm water, food coloring, a bowl, and plastic wrap. Students learned about the water cycle.

<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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2022/2023 Student/Parent Handbook

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

[Charlottesville Catholic School Uniform Policy](#)

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=uf0uKwKwnKs>

[Kids Worship: Psalm 23](#)

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PTO

MEETING



Wednesday, January 25, 2023

Coffee
Pastries
Fellowship
Community

8:10 AM in the
CCS Cafeteria

The PTO has some exciting events planned for 2023!
Come learn about how you can be involved!