

Charlottesville Catholic School Friday Newsletter

3rd Grade 1/26/24

Teacher's Message/Announcements

• **Catholic Schools Week in YOUR Parish!** Charlottesville Catholic School hopes to have a large presence in our local parishes for Catholic Schools Week weekend. Please consider signing your family up to serve in this capacity. Greeters, ushers, gift bearers, and hosts for our information tables are needed. We invite students, parents, grandparents – anyone with a love for our great school - to help. See the sign ups below.

Church of the Incarnation (January 27/28)

St. Thomas Aquinas (February 3/4)

St. Thomas Aquinas Hot Chocolate Bar (January 27/28)

- Even though the weather is colder, we will continue to get the students outside for recess as often as possible. Please make sure your child has the outerwear needed so that they can participate in recess. Below are the guidelines we follow:
 - Students should stay inside if the wind-chill factor is below 25°F.
 - If the wind-chill is in the 30s, students should have a coat (not a sweatshirt) and it should be encouraged that their heads are covered (hat or cinched coat/sweatshirt hood).
 - \circ $\;$ If the wind-chill is in the 40s, students should at least have a sweatshirt on.
 - Students who do not have the proper outerwear will sit in the front office for recess.
- PLEASE NOTE : Our field trip to Montcello is scheduled for March 15th, 2024. Details will
 follow in January. We are excited to be going on a field trip this year and we're looking
 forward to having parent chaperones.! To chaperone a field trip, you must be
 VIRTUS-trained. To register for that training, please use the following link:
 https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?the
- Approved List of Food Items for School Year 2023-2024 <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nRmcw0NIXsa4UXbokX_ZBqj7zkgEXnES/view?usp=sharing</u>

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Social Studies

This week students will research using three different resources to find information on two geographic features for each of the five continents.

Next week students work on designing their advertisements for their poster and label the geographic features on maps of the five continents.

Math

This week students will learn strategies for subtracting two four digit numbers by using the regrouping process and will also use estimation. They will work on using their mental math strategies on the math trainer website for subtraction to strengthen their fluency and accuracy.

Next week students will learn strategies for subtracting across three and four digit numbers with multiple zeros and estimate differences.

• MATH WEBSITES: <u>www.studyisland.com</u> - use student username and password to access Study Island.

www.mathsisfun.com- for increasing addition/subtraction fluency and accuracy.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This Week:

Having published our New Year's Resolution paragraphs last week, we spent time anonymously reviewing each other's work. This type of peer evaluations can be a really helpful process as students are able to identify another writer's strengths and areas for improvement and further discuss ideas and ask questions that might relate to their own writing.

Next Week:

-Grammar:

-Workbook - p. 155 Compound Predicates, p. 150 Compound Subjects, pp. 147-148 and 115 Letter Writing

-*Mentor Sentence* (Focus: Compound Predicate, Descriptive) - Quiz on Fri 2/2 -*Tar Beach*

I <u>can wear</u> it like a giant diamond necklace, or just <u>fly</u> above it and marvel at its sparkling beauty.

-Old: Word Study (Spelling): Long i/u/ & Vowel Team Syllables (potp**ie**, headl**igh**t, testif**y**, aven**ue**, f**ue**l, m**u**sic) - Quiz - Wed 1/31)

-New: Word Study (Spelling): Vowel Team Syllables Review - Assigned on Wed 1/31

-Featured Story: *The Polar Bear Son* - (Focus: Synthesizing) - Quiz on Fri 2/2) <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kh0NryE2jT4</u> Learning Ally The featured story for the week is available here and can be accessed at home

-portal.learningally.org - An online library resource with Read Aloud/Audiobook options, similar to Epic, but can be accessed at home at no additional cost to you.

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Theology

This Week:

Christ In Us Workbook - We began Lesson 8 (How do we become members of the Church?) - We read, discussed, and completed activities together as a class.

Next Week:

We are excited for Catholic Schools Week, which will occur from January 28 - February 3. Our theme this year is "United in Faith and Community."

Science

This week students will be given their object to begin their research. They will use three different resources to locate facts for the Google Slide Solar System Project. The project is strictly completed in the classroom, however if they would like to research and write down some information at home they are welcome to bring it in and rewrite it in their science journal.

Next week students will begin working on their google slide presentation and present to the class next Friday. There will also be a quiz/study guide sent home in their Friday Folder to study for their solar system test the following week.

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



Escuelas Católicas Unidos en Fe y Comunidad



Uniting in Faith & Community

Students can dress down on

Please have students bring their donation to

the week of

for \$5.00 to support CCC programs.

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.



www.cccofva.org



Blue Ridge Area

Everyone should have enough to eat.

Most Needed Items No glass please!

Canned soups, stews and chili - low sodium

Canned veggies - low sodium

Cereal - low sugar, whole grain

Peanut or almond butter - low sugar

Spaghetti sauce - low sugar

Boxed mac & cheese

Pasta and rice - whole grain

Canned tuna and chicken

Paper products

Baby food, formula, and diapers

Soap and feminine products

Toothbrushes

Thank You!

www.brafb.org