



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

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Friday Newsletter

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2nd Grade

Dear Rainbow Cheetah and Silly Sloth families,

Parks, Franklin, and Lincoln, oh my! The Cheetahs and Sloths did a magnificent job on their Famous American projects. Thank you so much to all who were able to attend this wonderful exhibition!

Next up? Catholic Schools' Week! Second grade decorated their doors for our whole school competition as our first celebratory activity. But the festivities have only just begun! Please see the complete lowdown for collections and dress-down opportunities next week to help us celebrate being students at Charlottesville Catholic School!

God bless,
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Calendar

1/27 - Famous American Project Presentations
2/7 - Field Trip to Paramount Theater
1/29-2/4 - Catholic Schools Week
2/2 - Grammar Test: Nouns
2/3 - Blue and Gold Day
2/9 - Math Test - Three Digit Addition
2/10 - Science Test: Magnets

2/17 - No School
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

- **Catholic Schools' Week** is here! Below is a simplified version of our exciting week:
 - Monday 1/30
 - *Celebrating Our Community*
 - "Charlottesville Proud" dress - students can wear a shirt from another local group or organization (church youth groups, scouts, youth sports teams, local businesses, community service organizations, UVA) that they are involved with in the community. **School uniform bottoms and shoes required.**
 - Penny drive (supporting the Alyssa House) begins! Blue vs. Gold competition to raise the most!
 - Food Drive (supporting the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank) begins!
 - Tuesday 1/31
 - *Celebrating Our Students*
 - Dress-down day - please review Student Handbook for dress-down policies
 - Wednesday 2/1
 - *Celebrating Our Nation*
 - Red, White, & Blue TAG day - wear red, white and blue accessories *with* uniform (ie. necklace, socks, scarf, etc.)
 - Thursday 2/2
 - Formal Dress for Mass
 - Friday 2/3
 - Blue / Gold Day
- As part of Catholic Schools Week, we will have a Penny Drive to benefit The Alyssa House. The Alyssa House offers housing to families with a child at UVA Children's Hospital. Please send in coins as a way to show support. Blue and Gold collection bins will be in the hallways. This video shares a little more about the organization: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mykZR4MRCWY>.
- Charlottesville Catholic School's Science Fair is just around the corner (Thursday, February 2), and Mr. Bruscia is in need of many volunteer judges! Please contact Mr.

Bruscia (m.bruscia@cvillecatholic.org). We want this to be a great experience for our students, so please help us out!

- No spelling instruction, test, or homework next week. We'll be celebrating Catholic Schools Week!
- Birthdays are the sweetest at school! We love celebrating your cute kiddos and school! Please remember to **check the approved list of shareable foods** in FACTS. Your child is also welcome to share non-edible treats, such as pencils, mini playdough, stamps, stickers, etc.
- Brrr!! Winter weather is back, y'all! Please help your child dress warmly for outdoor play, in labeled outerwear/layers! ***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 (aka Robinson's Rummage), located in a box under the ActivPanel.
- Last call!!! 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

Thrilling us with three digits! The Sloths and Cheetahs rolled easily into our next unit on three-digit addition. From mental math to using the algorithm with pencil and paper, these kids prove they can do it all!

Splish, splash!!! SplashLearn.com is a marvelous math resource for home use! Your child may access the site for free to complete work that we assign. Please also continue to practice math fact fluency daily by using flash cards, calling out problems, rolling dice, or even using cards. Your Sloth or Cheetah will wow you!

Literacy

Nimble with nouns! We'll conclude our study of nouns next week, with a test planned for Thursday, February 2.

Splendid spellers! We're looking forward to resuming spelling instruction in February! Please help your child get back into the routine of completing spelling homework nightly.

Well-loved stories inspire art! The Sloths and Cheetahs created adorable puppets in Art inspired by well-loved stories familiar to our Junior Kindergarten friends! Next week, our super storytellers will put the finishing touches on their puppets and props in preparation for script writing and rehearsals for the big day! The Sloths and Cheetahs will perform their puppet shows for Junior Kindergarten on February 16! The Sloths will perform for Ms. Shank's class and the Cheetahs will perform for Ms. Wawner's class. What an opportunity to share the love of learning and reading with one another!

Religion

This week, the Cheetahs and Sloths prayed "Come, Holy Spirit!" as they finished their unit on Prayer. These little theologians did an amazing job on their quiz and looked ahead eagerly to their next doctrine of study... the Trinity! This Mystery, while tricky to understand, has been embraced and readily discussed. They can't wait to learn more about the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three distinct Persons yet one God, next week!

Science/Social Studies

Thank you for being the "live studio audience" for our resident artists, aspiring professors, and future news anchors! The Sloths and Cheetahs loved sharing their knowledge with you! Please check folders for graded rubrics today!

Next week, we'll begin a two-week science unit on Magnets!