



**Charlottesville  
Catholic School**  
*Christ Community Scholars*

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## Friday Newsletter

### 2nd Grade

### 1/5/2024

#### **Teacher's Message/Announcements**

I pray that each and every one of you had a very restful, blessed, and joyous Christmas and New Year!

Welcome back to the Hawk mathematicians, scientists, readers, and theologians! I missed all of them so much and can't wait for all the joy ahead of us in 2024! I'm looking forward to continuing to watch your little one grow and blossom as we continue through this special 2nd grade year!

On the road again! Our next field trip is on the horizon! We'll be visiting the Amazement Square on February 23 to extend and enrich the second grade science/social studies curriculum and to inspire wonder in the Hawks! Permission slips can be digitally accessed [here](#), and are also in red folders today. Please return these by Friday, January 19.

The goosebumps are back! Please help your child dress warmly for outdoor play, in labeled outerwear! If you're missing items, check out the CCS Lost & Found (located in the stairwell near the cafeteria), as well as the Hawks That Wear Socks Lost & Found (located in a crate outside our classroom door).

#### **Calendar/Important Dates**

- 1/9 - 2nd Grade Leads Mass, 8:15 am
- 1/10- MAP Testing (Reading)
- 1/11 - MAP Testing (Math)
- 1/17 - [Science Day](#) - click for volunteer opportunities
- 2/23 - Field Trip to Amazement Square, 8:15 am-3:00 pm
- 3/13- Roald Dahl Day (volunteer timing TBD)
- 4/24 - Trashion Show, 2:15-2:45 pm (CCS Gym)
- 5/3 - Communion Retreat

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## Social Studies/Science

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New year, new unit! The Hawks are learning all about famous Americans! After first listing the characteristics of leaders and what makes someone famous, these bold biographers learned all about a few of the iconic names on our list of fabulous people to study: Benjamin Franklin, Abraham Lincoln, George Washington Carver, and Helen Keller.

## Math

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Subtraction, subtraction, subtraction! The Hawks will spend this month targeting subtraction skills, from simple fact fluency to complex two-digit subtraction, using a variety of strategies. Keep your cutie subtraction-ready with daily math fact practice at home!

Let your digital darling check out SplashLearn.com! The Hawks have free access to classroom assignments on this site, including a whole selection of new subtraction assignments!

## Language Arts/Reading/Writing

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These ravenous readers were so ready to get their noses back in a book, and were stoked to resume reading groups! In addition to small-group reading, the Hawks were treated to another read aloud by famed children's author, Roald Dahl. Ask your kiddo about the new, fun, and silly words he/she heard in this delightful book!

Second graders are sweet storytellers!! The Hawks penned stories about a pet (real or hoped for), inspired by the book "Let's Get a Pup," said Kate by Bob Graham. Starting with idea generation, the Hawks marched through the Writing Process, including peer conferencing, which was a total hit!

## Theology

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The Hawks are so very excited to lead Mass next week! Please join us in prayer in the CCS Gym on Tuesday, January 9 at 8:10am! Leading Mass is just the way to kick off a unit of study on prayer, during which we'll review prayers that the Hawks already know, as well as learning the Morning Offering. The Hawks will also be talking about different types of prayer and why we pray.