

Charlottesville Catholic School Friday Newsletter

Junior Kindergarten

Important Dates

Thursday January 12th - End of 2nd quarter Friday January 13th - No school for students and staff Monday January 16th - No school for students and staff. Martin Luther King day.

<u>Math</u>

Ms. Wawner's class focused on symmetry this week. We investigated symmetry in shapes and our faces and bodies. Students enjoyed finding symmetry in nature and creating symmetrical butterfly wings. We will continue our exploration of symmetry next week. Ms. Shank's class began working on graphing. We graphed daily questions and analyzed the data, we created our own object graphs with buttons, and we filled in graphs with information. We will be creating our own graphs with colored fruit loops.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Ms. Wawner's class started the year off by reading and talking about resolutions. Students came up with their own goal for the year, which included learning new sports, showing love to family members and being kind to the earth. We had fun reviewing the letters we have learned thus far with different types of review games, including find the letter and memory. We will continue to review the letters we learned next week. Students were also introduced to the letter E through different stories and activities. Ms. Shank's class also worked on the letter E. We continue with our reading groups and learning sight words. It helps if the students have an opportunity to read their book at home. It is important that they return the book each day in order for them to use it during the reading group. Our sight word for next week will be "Out". We read "Bears Snores On", and created sequencing hats. We will continue reading books on hibernation and migration.

<u>Religion</u>

Ms. Wawner's class learned about the Holy Trinity this week. We painted Celtic Trinity Knots and talked about God's love for us. Ms. Shank's class learned about Daniel and the lions den. We talked about courage. We created a lion craft.

Science/Social Studies

Ms. Wawner's class learned about the states of matter this week. Students had fun identifying things as a solid, liquid, or gas and acting like particles in each state on the black top. Student's learned how H2O is identifiable in all three stages and observed how ice moves from a solid to a liquid state. They especially enjoyed our demonstration with root beer floats and watching the gas bubbles when the solid ice cream met the liquid soda. Ms. Shank's class is focusing on hibernation this week. We read about animals that hibernate and those that do not. Next week we will be reading about migration and monarch butterflies.

<u>Other</u>

Volunteering and upcoming VIRTUS training

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

Winter Gear - Message from the Administration

Please make sure that your child's uniforms fit properly and guidelines regarding hair, makeup, and jewelry are being followed. Additionally, it is imperative that your child comes to school in proper outerwear for recess. Coats, hats, and gloves are required for the winter months. We truly appreciate your support.

Cuando regresemos de las vacaciones de Navidad, por favor asegúrese de que el uniforme de su hijo le quede bien y que siga las reglas con respecto al cabello, el maquillaje y las joyas. Por ejemplo, para los niños, el cabello no debe extenderse sobre las orejas o debajo del cuello de la camisa. Tampoco debe tocar las cejas. Para niñas, los lazos para el cabello deben ser conservadores. También no se permite esmalte ni aretas que cuelgan. Adicionalmente, es imperativo que su hijo venga a la escuela con abrigo adecuado para el recreo. Se requieren abrigos, gorros y guantes para los meses de invierno. Nosotros verdaderamente apreciamos tu apoyo. Como siempre, si tiene alguna pregunta acerca del uniforme, por favor comuníquese con la Srta. Goodwin.