

# Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

January 6, 2023

# Kindergarten

Happy New Year!!

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 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 /13 No school
- 1/16 No school
- 1/29-2/4 Catholic Schools Week
- 1/3 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 will be learning about Martin Luther King Jr. next week.

### 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 began our unit in addition. We played a game in which we rolled the die, added one more to that number, and jumped that many times.

## Language Arts/Reading/Writing

We began 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. Each day, students listened to a Bible story, color an ornament that represents the story, and hung it on their Jesse trees. We also read Psalm 23 each day.

## Science

We made penguins in the science lab and learned about Arctic animals. <u>https://www.steamda.com/summer-experience</u>

### https://www.steamda.com/schoolyearprograms

Steam Discovery Academy: https://www.steamda.com/charlottesville

## Other Information

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2022/2023 Student/Parent Handbook <u>https://cvillecatholic.us11.list-manage.com/track/click?u=9b38293f7bcd2ecbc2bab7c88&id=a89c</u> <u>b5f427&e=fdab17459c</u> <u>Charlottesville Catholic School Uniform Policy</u> Kindergarten website <u>https://sites.google.com/cvillecatholic.org/ccs-kindergarten-website/home</u>

Songs and story links:

Hartman Penguin dance: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ufOuKmKwnKs Hartman Penguin: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EBHtpU1tB3E</u> Learning Station: Penguin: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= FEpPjhVtdc</u> Creation song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nY2W4nOD x8 "Jesus Loves Me" by Listener Kids - YouTube Let's Go Deep, Deep, Deep https://video.link/w/UXT1d Power Shuffle | Everest VBS Music Video | Group Publishing See It, Say It, Sign It | Letter Sounds | ASL Alphabet | Jack Hartmann Exercise, Rhyme and Freeze | Rhyming Words for Kids | Exercise Song | Jack Hartmann: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cSPmGPIyykU Where Do you Start Your Letters https://video.link/w/OjNAc Thank you song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0eEkWvekQiE http://thisreadingmama.com/101-alphabet-activities-printables/ http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/alphabet-games http://www.kizclub.com/activities.htm See It, Say It, Sign It | Letter Sounds | ASL Alphabet | Jack Hartmann See It Say It Sign It Volume 2 Jack Hartmann ASL Alphabet

Sound pronunciation:

https://sightwords.com/phonemic-awareness/sound-pronunciations/#chart

<u>Raz-Kids</u> Students began reading books on Raz-kids. This online program allows each student to select a book, listen to it, read it themselves, and

then answer comprehension questions. Students get 150 digital stars for completing all three parts of each book.

#### Parent Tool Kit for Raz-kids:

https://www.kidsa-z.com/shared/images/teacherCorner/learninga-z-parent-t oolkit-english.pdf

\*\*This list is meant to be used for items intended to be SHARED such as for celebrations/special events\*\*

### Fresh Fruits and Vegetables are ok

No soy beans, edamame, peas or lentils No hummus No pineapple, strawberries, coconut

### **Chips/Pretzels/Popcorn**

Wise Kettle chips (certain flavors – read label)

Wise Popcorn – butter and white cheddar variety (white cheddar contains milk product)

Frito Lays Chips & Frito Lays Simply products (certain flavors – read label)

Skinny Pop Pirates Booty Rold Gold pretzels Goldfish pretzels Utz chips – (certain flavors - read label) Annie's Organic Sensible Portions Veggie Straws (sea salt only) Orville Redenbacker microwave popcorn (no cheese flavors)

#### Crackers

Goldfish Annie's organic Cheez – its Ritz Crackers Wheat Thins Made Good Honey Maid honey graham crackers

### Cookies

Oreos – original and original double stuff (blue packaging) Teddy Grahams Nilla Wafers Lofthouse School Safe (additional items include cupcakes) Annie's Organic Barnum Animal crackers Zee Zees **(no sunflower seeds/ no coconut products)** Rice Krispie Treats – prepackaged; not homemade Made Good Enjoy Life (various types) gingerbread

### Candy/Treats

- Dum Dums Charms Smarties Tootsie Rolls/Tootsie Pops Campfire Marshmallows Welch's Fruit Snacks Yum Earth gummies and candies Free2b Enjoy Life chocolates York Peppermint Patties Life Savers Haribo Gummy Bears
- Spangler Candy Canes

### Frozen Treats (NO PINEAPPLE/COCONUT/STRAWBERRY or DAIRY)

Popsicle Brand Ices Luigi's Philly Swirl Outshine DeeBee's Organics Pizza – (NO PESTO – NO DESSERTS) cheese or cheese and pepperoni;

original crust

Papa John's

Dominos

Endzone (local in Forest Lakes Shopping Center)

\*\*May need to consider gluten and cheese free options dependent on class\*\*

Drinks - reminder to avoid certain fruit flavors

Juicy juice

Apple and Eve (no fruit punch/strawberry)

Honest Kids - berry lemonade flavor

Swiss Miss hot chocolate (no marshmallows and there is a dairy free option as well)

### **Brands - Multiple Products**

ENjoy Life Made Good Vermont Nut Free Yum Earth Free2b

Holiday items that are free from most allergens

- Spangler's Candy Canes

- Swiss Miss hot chocolate (without marshmallows and consider a dairy free option as well)

- Campfire marshmallows

- Enjoy Life Brand gingerbread cookies

Please see the list at the end of this letter.