

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

2nd Grade October 11, 2024

Calendar/Important Dates

10/12 - 5K and Fun Run

10/18 - End of 1st Quarter, 11:30 dismissal

10/25 - 1st Quarter Report Cards

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*Please don't hesitate to reach out! We are excited to be your partners in your child's education!

Important School Announcements

5K/Fun Run Volunteers Needed–We have lots of ways you can help! Please check out the opportunities and <u>sign up if you can</u>. We depend on volunteers to make this event a success.

Crozet Speech and Language Clinic will be conducting speech and occupational therapy screenings in October. Please look for a letter in your child's Friday folder with more information.

Our first Speaker Series session for this year will be presented by Mrs. Marie Decker, our Social Emotional Learning Specialist. From CASEL.org: "Social-emotional learning helps all young people thrive personally and academically, develop and maintain positive relationships, become life-long learners, and contribute to a more caring, just world." Join us on Thursday, October 24 at 7:00PM as Mrs. Decker presents "Supporting the Whole Child–Why SEL?". At this session, you will learn about the five competencies (self-awareness, self-management, responsible decision-making, relationship building, and social awareness), and how they are related to school, family,

and community, in order to support the whole child and their success in the academic setting. RSVP using the link below. **Please note that this is an adult-only event, and childcare will not be provided. **

October 24 Speaker Series RSVP

Next Friday, October 18 is the end of the 1st quarter, and an 11:30AM dismissal day for students. STEAM Aftercare and JK Extended Day will be in session for registered students.

Save the date! Our JK-5 Mother/Son Game Night will take place on Friday, November 8 at 6:00PM. More information coming soon.

Math

We have been learning how to solve two-step story problems. Ask your child to tell you one of their own story problems. We practiced using lots of strategies and games. We are also continuing to review math vocabulary and reviewing-odd, even, patterns and arrays.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

We read <u>Crankenstein</u> by Samantha Berger. We focused on making connections, sequencing events, quotation marks and synonyms.

We enjoyed more creative writing this week. Your children have great imaginations and love to create stories!

We began our literacy in small groups and really enjoyed being able to work in those smaller groups.

Theology

This week in theology we focused on our saints project. We researched our saints and began writing our rough drafts. Next week we will begin our final drafts and begin practicing our speeches. During chapel, we learned about our virtue for the month, which is collaboration.

Social Studies

This week we dove back into social studies reviewing what citizenship and community look like inside and outside of school. We had lively discussions concerning the difference between rules, laws and fairness.

Science

We enjoyed working with the eighth graders this week in the STEM lab. We worked hard to make a soccer stadium to scale by creating a foosball table using only a few materials-including the cereal boxes you sent in! Thank you!

Other Information

Snack (9:20/9:55)/ Lunch (11:30)

Please include a snack with your child's lunch everyday along with a filled spill proof water bottle. Please be mindful of the food that you are packing. Our second grade classrooms are nut free, so double check labels. Nuts are okay to bring into the cafeteria for lunch time this year!

Specials Schedule

Monday - Music

Tuesday - Library & Mass

Wednesday - Art, P.E, & Chapel

Thursday- Library

Friday - Music

Homework (M-TH)

Please check your child's blue folder for any homework. All homework will be written by your child in their agenda book each day.

Your child will have a reading response prompt and a math/writing homework sheet.

Please, no more than 25 minutes a night. Reading should be done every night!