



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

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## Friday Newsletter



**5th Grade**  
**10/13/2023**

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

- The end of the first quarter is quickly approaching (next Friday, October 20). This day is an 11:30AM dismissal day (no lunch) so that teachers may work on report cards. Junior Kindergarten Extended Day will not be offered on October 20; STEAM Aftercare will still be in session. Report cards will be released on Friday, October 27.
- Yearbook and school photos are now available to order. The information to login and order was sent home in an envelope in your youngest child's backpack on Tuesday. Please let Mr. Seibert know if you have any questions or did not receive the information. If you'd like to request retakes, we will have an opportunity to take new photos on Tuesday, October 17. Please email Mrs. Fowlkes ([ch.fowlkes@cvillecatholic.org](mailto:ch.fowlkes@cvillecatholic.org)) to get on the retake schedule.
- As we near the end of the first quarter, we have started planning our first CBG party. Students will be placing their orders for treats, so we will be reaching out via Sign-Up Genius for any parents who would like to donate any of those items. More details to follow!

- Dear Parents and Students,

Do you like setting goals, making small but steady gains, and seeing what you can achieve? Then you might be interested in CCS Cross Country. Our team focuses on effort and not performance. We create a supportive environment to help you achieve your running goals. If Cross Country sounds interesting to you please come to the Cross Country tent at the CCS 5K this weekend to talk to the coaches and runners about what it is like to be on the team. You can also warm up with the team before the run if you want too. Hope to see you there!

Sincerely,  
Coach Kevin Jones  
CCS XC Coach

- Happy October to our CCS Families! In music class, our 2nd and 5th graders have been learning the sign language for "My Country Tis of Thee" for our Veteran's Day Service in November. If you would like to practice at home, here is the link to practice with. Thank you!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GlllrX8Csrs>

Happy Fall!  
Musically,  
Kate Wisbey

### Calendar/Important Dates:

- **Tuesday, October 17:** SW Region TEST (*CAPS and spelling count*)
- **Tuesday, October 17 :** Science test
- **Wednesday, October 18:** Quiz on the writing process
- **Thursday, October 19 :**13 colonies TEST
- **Thursday, October 19:** 1st Qtr. Khan Academy due
- **Friday, October 20:** End of 1st Quarter, early dismissal, service projects

### Teacher email addresses:

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## Social Studies

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In history we will be learning about early US history and how we came to be a nation. We will have a test on the states and capitals for the SW region of the US. on 10/17 . We will be making a chart to compare all the colonies. This project will be completed in class.

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Students in 5th grade will be tested on all US states and their capitals. The states will be chunked by region for learning and mastery. A great way to study the states is found on a

free game learning website:

<https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/geography/usa/50-states-game>

## Math

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We will continue to work on learning the algorithm for multiplying multiple digit numbers. The end of the quarter is approaching, please be sure your child has completed their 1st quarter Khan Academy requirements.

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To reinforce math concepts and skills, students are assigned sections for Khan Academy ([khanacademy.org](https://www.khanacademy.org)). This is for a grade. Students have their login and password in their planner. The 1st qtr. requirements, due before the end of the quarter are Decimal Place Value, Add Decimals and Subtract Decimals.

## Language Arts/Reading/Writing

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This week we continued reading *Wonder* and continued focusing on characterization. We also discussed the writing process and began a unit on nouns.

Next week we will continue reading and annotating *Wonder*, and we will continue the unit on nouns in grammar. We will also have a quiz on the steps in the writing process on Wednesday. We will continue to focus on characterization while reading *Wonder*.

***The first quarter IRA is due Friday, October 13.***

## Theology

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This week we focused on the ways we come to know God. Next week we will focus on memorizing the St. Michael Prayer and exploring why God made us. There will be a test on the St. Michael Prayer early the following week.

## Science

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We are learning about classification of living things. We will be playing SMITE on Monday, 10/16, and the test will be on Tuesday, 10/17. Our next unit will be on ecosystems.