

Charlottesville Catholic School Friday Newsletter

First Grade

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Upcoming Dates:

Friday, October 14- 6pm PTO Movie Night
Thursday, October 20- End of 1st Quarter
Friday, October 21- School Closed (Student/Teacher Holiday)
Thursday, October 27- Mass (Students must be in dress uniform)
Friday, October 28- 1st Quarter Report Cards/ JK-5 Day of Service (See note below)
Monday, October 31- Halloween Parade (See note below)

Announcements:

Halloween-

Monday, October 31, will be our Halloween Parade for students in JK-2nd Grade, and Halloween Tag Day for students in 3rd-8th. The parade will be held at 8:15am. JK-2 parents are welcome to join us!

Students in JK-2 may wear an appropriate Halloween costume to school, but they must be able to remove it, and be in their school uniform, if it is uncomfortable or distracting. Masks and props are not permitted, and students should be in their school approved shoes.

Day of Service-

One of our projects for the elementary Day of Service on October 28 is to make bags for The Haven to hand out. The goal for each grade is to collect 100 of their designated item by October 25 so that bags can be assembled. Please see the chart below for grade-level items. All items will be collected by homeroom teachers.

JK- Gallon sized bags K- Travel size shampoo 1- Travel size body wash

- 2- Travel size body lotion
- 3- Travel size deodorant
- 4- Travel size toothpaste
- 5- Toothbrushes
- 6- Pocket tissues and wipes
- 7- Washcloths
- 8- Disposable razors

Social Studies

Math

This week we will practice skip counting by 2s, 5s, and 10s up to 120, talk about if numbers are even or odd, and build numbers to 120 on tens frames. Next week we will start talking about place value. We will learn about tens and ones and bundling to make a ten (to 50),

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

<u>Reading</u>

This week we read and discussed the story, *If Your Monster Won't Go To Bed*. We learned how to retell the story using key details from the text such as characters, setting, and important events from the story. Next week we will read *Pumpkin Soup*, and focus on asking and answering questions and rhyme, rhythm, and repetition.

<u>Grammar</u>

This week we introduced and practiced adjectives (describing words). We did several activities using adjectives in sentences and sorting adjectives and nouns. Next week we will talk about exclamatory sentences (!).

Writing

This week we wrote about our story, If Your Monster Won't Go To Bed, we wrote about how we would get our monster to go to sleep. We also practiced our writing skills during Daily 5 writing activities.

Religion

This week we will continue talking about Mary. We will unscramble our story about Mary, make a story wheel, complete a brainstorm activity about how we can be faithful like Mary and reflect on Mary's life.

Science

This week we started our unit on plants. During this unit we will learn about what plants need, the parts of a plant, the plant life cycle and we will start to observe a bean during the growing process.

Other Information

Snack (8:45/9:00)/ Lunch(11:50)

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 first grade classroom is nut free, so double check labels. Nuts are okay to bring into the cafeteria for lunch time this year!

Specials Schedule

Monday - Library Tuesday - Art and Music Wednesday - P.E. and Art

Thursday-Mass and Library Friday - Music

Dress Uniform

<u>Boys</u> - Blue pants, white dress shirt, CCS tie/bowtie, black school shoes, and blue or black socks NO white.

<u>Girls</u>- Plaid jumper, solid dark shorts underneath, white peter pan collared shirt, navy knee socks NO white or black knee socks, and black school shoes.

Colder Weather is here!

Please make sure that your child brings something warm and long sleeve to school each day (e.g., jacket, sweatshirt, sweater). We will continue to go outside, weather permitting, for morning recess, lunch recess, and snack as much as we can.

Homework (M-Th)

For the week of: 10/17-10/121

Math- 1st Quarter Week 5

<u>Reading-</u> read for 15 min./night. Additionally, for each completed book, your child will color in their reading log for the month (e.g., September books = apples). Don't forget the monthly reading challenge that was included in the binder as well. These activities are designed to motivate readers/encourage students to have fun with reading. It's optional, but highly recommended.

Word Study/Spelling- *Monday:* Cut and sort words (keep them in the pencil pouch in your binder), *Tuesday:* Sort your words- write and illustrate 8 words, *Wednesday:* Sort your words-choose 4 words to use in a sentence (try your best with the spelling of words), *Thursday:* Glue your words onto the sorting mat that came home on Monday.

<u>Religion</u>- Practice Sign of the Cross Prayer