

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

Kindergarten 10/15/21

Message from Kindergarten

Thank you for practicing letter sounds and sight words at home. I recently assessed students and all have made progress.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions or comments. The best way to contact me is by email.

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We have been reading a series of books in which Little (letter of the alphabet) fills a box. On Thursday, October 28, we would like for each student to share his or her own "box." Each "box" should have one item for each letter in the alphabet. Please find something for each letter of the alphabet around your house, in your neighborhood, or while traveling. (A- apple, B-ball, C- comb....) A drawing may be added if a tangible object cannot be found. We look forward to seeing all of the things that your child finds to go into the box.

Directions: ([Project template Uploaded soon](#))

- Make sure you log into your child's student account to access project
- Click on Activities Tab
- Open "a to z" Book
- Orange Check Mark - Saves work as a draft and allows you to come back to it later
- Green Check Mark - Submits to teacher (Click when completely finished with project)

The children are becoming more independent with their daily work. We encourage them to get started right away, work the whole time, stay in one spot, work quietly, and build their stamina. Please continue to encourage self help skills at home with opening containers, getting dressed including outerwear, and daily responsibilities that benefit the family. Struggling through a difficult, but obtainable task can be one of the best ways to gain independence.

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This month, we will learn about community helpers. Traditionally, we have had parents come in and talk about their occupations, but we are not able to do that this year. However, we would love for you to take two-five minutes with your phone camera and explain what you do in your job. Maybe you would like to take us on a virtual field trip to your work site as you share. Thank you for all you do in the community. We look forward to "seeing you in class" soon.

Thank you Mr. Korinek for sharing your work as a professor.

As cooler temperatures approach, 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. The weather is getting colder in the morning and while children can still wear the shorts or not wear tights or leggings with their jumper they need to be bringing a jacket or thick fleece. Some mornings it is cold and the sweatshirt with shorts will not keep them warm.



Announcements

*Friday (10/29)- Children are allowed to wear their costumes to school. They must wear their uniform (what they have been wearing all year) under it in case they get hot, are uncomfortable, or simply cannot handle being in a costume all day. They are NOT allowed to wear masks that go with their costume or bring in any props.

Catholic Schools Care

As Commonwealth Catholic Charities (CCC) continues to respond to the Afghan refugee crisis, they need our help! Students can earn a free dress day for a minimum donation of \$1.00 and all donations raised will help refugee families rebuild their lives in Virginia. Please have your students bring in their donations on Monday, October 18, which will be our free dress day. ***Do not send the money in before this day, as teachers cannot be responsible for holding onto it.***

Just a few reminders...

- Please label everything that you want returned to your house.
- Please send a CCS fleece or sweater for the classroom in case your child is cold in the building.
- Please send a lanyard, a clip, or discuss a plan to help your child keep up with his or her mask. Please send an extra mask.
- When it rains, a raincoat is much preferred over an umbrella.

Important Dates:

- 10/18 Catholic Schools Care Day (1\$ or more for free dress)
- 10/18-20 Coat Drive
- 10/20-27 Book Fair (Purchases on Monday, October 25)
- 10/22 11:30 dismissal
- 10/28 Alphabet project due
- 10/29 JK-2 may wear costumes
- 10/29 Movie Night 6:30
- 11/1 All Saints Day Mass
- 11/3 K Picture Day - formal dress, (no yellow shirts)
- 11/4 & 5 Parent/teacher conferences virtual
- 11/11 Veterans Day Prayer Service- formal dress
- 11/15-18 Speech screenings
- 11/24-26 Thanksgiving break
- 12/17 Early Dismissal
- December 18-31 Christmas break

STEAM Discovery Academy offers fun and educational programs to explore science. Please see the link if interested in participating. <https://www.steamda.com/school-year-programs>

Next Week

Students are learning the structure of Daily Five. Our sight words this week were one, my, me, big, come. Next week's words are: here, help, make, yellow, two
Please practice these words at home.

We will begin chapter 3: numbers beyond 10. The students enjoy playing math games.

Next week we will talk about nocturnal animals and make some related crafts.

We will continue our study on community helpers.

Week in Review

Religion

We read a Bible story each day, prayed, learned about animals in the Bible, and talked about the Israelites. Students did several pages in their Catholic Reflections book.

Science and Social Studies

We talked about community helpers, fire safety, and made a climbing firefighter. Please practice your family fire safety plan.


Math

We continued our Math Journals this week. Students played several math games. Students practiced ordinal numbers. We finished chapter 2: numbers 6-10.

Language Arts

Students began reading books in Epic and doing activities in SeeSaw. The sight words were one, me, my, big, come. We read several books related to Fall.

Favorite Songs: [▶ Exercise, Rhyme and Freeze | Rhyming Words for Kids | Exercise Son...](#)



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LIGHT SHINES
IN THE
Darkness
AND THE
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Overcome
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JOHN 1:5

Be completely
humble and gentle;
be patient,
bearing with one another
in love.

Ephesians 4:2

