



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

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## Friday Newsletter

### Junior Kindergarten

### October 20, 2023

#### **Calendar/Important Dates**

Friday, October 27: JK Field Trip to Carter's Mountain

Thursday November 9th , Half Day (11:30 dismissal ). No JK Extended Day.

Afternoon conferences

Friday November 10th no school. Day conferences.

#### **Emails**

Ms. Shank: [c.shank@cvillecatholic.org](mailto:c.shank@cvillecatholic.org)

Ms. Wawner: [v.wawner@cvillecatholic.org](mailto:v.wawner@cvillecatholic.org)

#### **Science/Social Studies**

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Ms. Wawner's class celebrated apple season this week by learning the parts of an apple and an apple's life cycle. We dissected an apple, did a taste test of three types, and performed an experiment to answer the question "Why do apples turn brown when you cut them?" We are excited about our upcoming field trip to Carter's Mountain. Next week, we will focus on pumpkins and compare/contrast pumpkins with apples. Ms. Shank's class studied the life cycle of the pumpkin. We made life cycle hats. We also put our scientist hats on and hypothesized how many seeds we would find in our carved pumpkin. We had guesses from 1 to 50. It ended up being 239 and we still hadn't counted them all. They were a little bit shocked. Next week we are going to study apples in preparation for our Field Trip

#### **Math**

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Ms. Wawner's class continued to work on teen numbers this week through identification and one-to-one correspondence. Students went on a scavenger hunt for teen numbers around the room, played teen numbers bingo, and exercised while counting. Students will focus on greater, than/less than next week. Ms. Shank's class finished our unit on sorting. We sorted by size,

shape, color, and kind. We began working on teen numbers, both recognition and counting sets. We will continue with that and begin with comparing numbers as well.

## Language Arts/Reading/Writing

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Ms. Wawner's class enjoyed reading books by Tomie dePaola this week. We talked about how he uses many of the same characters in different books, how his books often take place in Italy and have Italian words in them and how his illustrations all look similar. Students especially loved the book "Pancakes for Breakfast" as they got to make up the story through pictures. Students reviewed our SATPIN letters this week and will start learning about the letter C next week. Ms. Shank's class read a lot of books about pumpkins and fall. We also studied the letter I and made insects.

## Theology

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Ms. Shank's class continued our study of the Bible hero David. We read some Psalms and talked about the different types of Psalms. Ms. Wawner's class finished up our unit on Noah and will begin to learn about David. Ms. Shank's class revisited the idea of kindness. We made a kindness flower where the students drew examples of kindness. We are going to continue working on social skills. Next week we will talk about All Saints Day.

## Other News

- Please remember to check the red folder each day. You make out the completed work.
- Our music teacher, Ms. Wisbey, has provided songs for JK students to sing in the car and at home during the month of October. You can find the playlist here:

<https://spotify.link/t82MqgLIEDb>

## Nurse's Note

To be prepared for Kindergarten entrance requirements, please make sure to have the Commonwealth of Virginia School Entrance Health form completed. Print the form and have it with you for your child's next check-up/physical. Make sure that an up to date immunization record is attached. If you have any questions, please contact the school nurse at [clinic@cvillecatholic.org](mailto:clinic@cvillecatholic.org).

## Reminders

- **The deadline for selecting your child's yearbook picture and ordering prints is Monday, October 23.** We cannot guarantee delivery of prints before Thanksgiving for orders submitted after October 23. If you do not select a picture to be used in the yearbook, one will be selected for you.
- Tuesday, 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--we will have you line up along the sidewalk and blacktop as long as we are able to be outside; you do not need to come into the building.
- **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 clothes, if it is

uncomfortable or distracting. Masks and props are not permitted, and students should be in their school-approved shoes.