

# Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter: 10/20/2022



# 5th Grade

#### Teacher's Message/Announcements

- For the Elementary Day of Service on Friday, October 28, the 5th Grade will be involved in different activities that include mulching a new nature trail at school, as well as helping to clean and organize inside the building. A Sign-Up Genius is available at <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e4da5ab2ba6fd0-5thgrade">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e4da5ab2ba6fd0-5thgrade</a> if you are able to help supervise students that day or provide any materials that are needed to complete their chores.
- As the weather starts to turn cooler, please be sure your child has the appropriate clothing for going outside, especially if your child is scheduled for carline.
- Monday, October 31, is Halloween Tag Day for 3-8 grade students. Our students must be in uniform, but they may wear Halloween-themed accessories. Please follow these guidelines:
  - o Items allowed:
    - Socks
    - Belts
    - Earrings
    - Necklaces
    - Ribbons
    - Bracelets

- Headbands with stabilized decor (e.g., cat ears)
- Items NOT allowed:
  - Hats
  - Sunglasses
  - Wigs
  - Masks
  - T-shirts
  - Headbands with flying objects
  - Anything flashing
  - Costumes/teeth/fangs
- Access to FACTS: <a href="https://cc-va.client.renweb.com/pwr/school/">https://cc-va.client.renweb.com/pwr/school/</a>

#### Calendar/Important Dates

- Tuesday, October 25: Final draft of personal narrative is due
- Wednesday, October 26: Test on spelling/vocabulary words
- Thursday, October 27: Math QUIZ
- **Friday, October 28:** Elementary Day of Service (see above note)
- **Thursday, November 3:** Parent Teacher Conferences-11:30 am dismissal (No Aftercare).
- Friday, November 4: Parent Teacher Conferences (School Closed).
- Thursday, November 10: Fifth grade pictures; formal dress is required

#### Teacher email addresses

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## **Social Studies**

This week we studied some key Puritan figures in their quest to secure religious freedom. Next week we will be learning about life in Colonial times.

Students will need to learn all the US states and capitals for 2nd Qtr. They will be tested by region and there will also be a comprehensive test on all the states and capitals. Your child can start learning them now by using the following online resources.

## Practice games for state names (by region) found @

https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/Geography.htm

levels 1-7

## Learn the capitals for each state @

https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/geography/usa/50-states-game-2/https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/geography/usa/capitals/game-2/https://www.sheppardsoftware.

levels 1 & 2

#### Math

\*We will be working on mastering our multiplication table 0-12 and doubles by the end of the 2nd quarter (this is an extension). Please practice the basic multiplication facts at home or in the car coming to and from school. Knowing your multiplication facts is a vital skill that students will be needing for success in math in school and in daily life.

\*Students will need to complete (mastery level) Khan Academy *Add Decimals and Subtract Decimals* by the end of the 2nd quarter.

This week we reviewed fact families, practiced 4 by 2 multiplication and worked on the steps used in solving long division problems. Next week we will be continuing to work on long division with and without remainders.

## Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week we continued reading and annotating *Wonder* and worked on the final draft of the personal narrative. We also had a quiz on punctuating dialogue, and students received a new set of spelling/vocabulary words. Students will turn in the final draft of their personal narrative on Tuesday and have a spelling/vocabulary test on Wednesday. We will also begin studying possessive nouns and will have a quiz on that material early the week of October 31.

## Religion

This week we had a quiz on the Apostles' Creed and continued to focus on the Rosary. There will be a test on the Rosary (including information on what Mysteries are said on which days/during which Liturgical seasons) the week of October 31.

#### Science

We did a fun lab on oxygen this week. We will be learning about ecosystems, food webs and how energy is passed through the food chain.

