

Charlottesville Catholic School Friday Newsletter

Junior Kindergarten

JK had the greatest time at Carter's Mountain on Monday. Thank you to all the parents who drove and chaperoned. Students loved answering questions in "Apple School", hiking to pick Fuji, Staymen, and Granny Smith apples, and munching on apple cider donuts. On Friday, both classes will decorate boxes for service day. These boxes will go to the organization Blue Star Families and will carry cards of encouragement made by fellow CCS students. Thank you to everyone who brought in gallon-sized ziploc bags for The Haven!

Important Dates

Friday October 28 - Service Day
Thursday, November 3--11:30AM dismissal (Parent/Teacher Conferences)
Aftercare will NOT be offered
Friday, November 4--School closed (Parent/Teacher Conferences)

<u>Math</u>

Ms. Wawner's and Ms. Shank's class worked on sorting this week. We sorted all sorts of objects based on a variety of characteristics (size, shape, color)–we even sorted ourselves! We will continue to work on sorting next week and will soon introduce patterns.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Ms. Wawner's class continues to work on identifying character and setting in the stories we read as well as finding the beginning, middle, and end. We practice sequencing stories so students are able to retell them to each other. Ms. Shank's class sequenced the story"Stellaluna" about a bat who isn't sure if he is a bird or a bat. We are also working on following along with our finger as we read each word. We studied the letter C this week and will start learning about O next week.

<u>Religion</u>

Students learned about saints in preparation for All Saints Day. Students are excited to attend the second grade saints exhibition on Tuesday. Mass will be held on Tuesday at 8:15 in celebration of All Saints Day. We will be sitting with our faith buddies at that Mass.

Science

Ms. Wawner's class studied the life cycle of pumpkins this week and finished the week off by dissecting a pumpkin to see and feel its insides. We will compare and contrast the life cycles of apples and pumpkins at the beginning of next week.

Other Information

Halloween: Monday, October 31, will be our Halloween Parade for students in JK-2nd Grade. The parade will be held at 8:15am. JK-2 parents are welcome to join us! If you line up on the outside sidewalks you will be able to see the classes in parade form. Students in JK-2 may wear an appropriate Halloween costume to school (nothing gory or with weapons, no masks or coverings on their face, no flashing lights, and no props). If the student wants to remove their costume they must be able to remove it themselves and have clothes underneath. We will not be able to change students into uniforms or street clothes. Students should be in their school approved shoes.

Report Cards: Report cards are available to view in FACTS

Conferences: Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on Thursday afternoon and Friday of next week. Conferences are 15 minutes long and can be held virtually or in person. You can sign up to meet with Ms. Wawner or Ms. Shank at the links below. If you can't find a time that suits you, please contact us and we will work something out.

Ms. Wawner: <u>https://calendly.com/mswawnerccs/wawner-conferences</u> Ms. Shank: <u>https://calendly.com/christineshankccs/shank-jk-conferences</u>