

# Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

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### **Upcoming Dates:**

- October 9 Teacher Work Day (no school)
- October 17 Bilingual Mass

#### **Announcements:**

School will be closed on Monday, October 9 for a teacher work day.

We will not be having Mass on Tuesday, October 10, as all priests in the Diocese of Richmond will be attending the annual Priest Convocation. Students do not need to be in their formal dress uniforms that day.

Next Friday, October 13, we will celebrate our National Blue Ribbon Award. Parents are welcome to join us. We will gather at 2:00PM on the playground blacktop. If you would like to join us, please park in carline so that dismissal is not delayed.

5K/Fun Run Participants: Your bib packet is in your child's backpack! PLEASE do not mix up your chipped bib numbers for the 5K, this is how you will get results (your bib number is printed on the label with your name and t-shirt size if you do mix it up). Please remember to wear your t-shirt AND bib at the 5K/Fun Run!

### **Social Studies**

This week we learned about the countries of Nicaragua and Belize, as well as Hispanic Heritage Month.

### Math

This week we worked on counting, recognizing, and writing numbers to 120. We learned that some words need a hyphen when we write them with words. We also learned how to find a missing number on a number line to 120, using a number chart to 120, and how to put numbers in order to 120. Next week we will begin our unit exploring addition.

# Language Arts/Reading/Writing

#### Reading

This week we read and discussed the story, *Hoot and Peep*, which is a fiction book that looks at two owl siblings and how it is okay to be different. Our focus was on making connections to what we read (Text to Self, Text to World, and Text to Text) while reading. Next week we will read *If Your Monster Won't Go To Bed*.

#### **Grammar**

This week we looked at onomatopoeia- a word that mimics the sound of the actual thing or person described. Next week we will look at adjectives.

#### **Writing**

This week we wrote about owls and focused on the type of sentences we were writing (asking and telling) and punctuation that was needed. We further practiced our writing skills during Daily 5 writing activities.

# Theology

In Theology this week, we continued studying the lives of the Saints and the importance of feast days as we celebrated the feasts of St. Francis of Assisi (October 4) and Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7). Students made their own rosary decades, which they will use on Thursday mornings throughout the month of October when our entire school gathers to pray a decade of the Luminous Mysteries together. Also, we began working on our Saint Reports as we discovered the feast day of each selected saint. Next week, our 5th grade faith buddies will be reading to students about their selected saints and we will begin writing about the lives of our saints.

## Science

This week we started our unit on the states of matter. We read informational text about matter, played a matter game in teams, and completed a matter sort.

## 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 classrooms are nut free, so double check labels. Nuts are okay to bring into the cafeteria for lunch time this year!

#### **Specials Schedule**

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

Thursday-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.

#### **Homework (M-TH)**

**Math-** Complete Spiral Math Review 5

**Reading-** Read for 15 min./night. Please record the title of the book that was read each night. Additionally, for each completed book, your child will color in their reading log for the month (e.g. September = Apples).

**ELA-** Complete Spiral ELA Review 5

**Religion-** Practice Sign of the Cross Prayer