

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

3rd Grade 10/6/23

Teacher's Message/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!
- Free Symphony Tickets: There was an issue with the link for the Charlottesville Symphony Orchestra Form. Please enter your information if you would like tickets to their concerts. Thank you! https://forms.gle/WuKKZ23DIMHHUA327
- We are excited to be going on **field trips** this year and are looking forward to having parent chaperones help with that! To chaperone a field trip, you must be VIRTUS-trained. To register for that training, please use the following link: https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?the
- Approved List of Food Items for School Year 2023-2024
 https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nRmcw0NIXsa4UXbokX_ZBqj7zkgEXnFS/view?usp=sharing

Calendar/Important Dates

- Monday, October 9 School Closed Teacher Worker Day
- Friday, October 20 11:30 Dismissal End of 1st Quarter

Teacher email addresses

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Social Studies

This week students are learning the location of the Mississippi and Rio Grande Rivers. They are making a passport, which will include the geographic features of our North American Continent.

Next week students are learning facts about The Five Great Lakes region and will identify the lakes on their map of North America. Students will be introduced to the Appalachian Mountain rage and the Rocky Mountain range.

Math

This week students will be comparing numbers and ordering numbers using the greater than, less than, and equal to signs, up to the hundred thousands place. They are also reviewing addition with regrouping using two three digit numbers.

Next week students will continue learning how to order numbers using the greater than, less than, and equal to signs, up to the hundred thousands place. They will be introduced to rounding to the nearest hundred using a three digit number.

- Homework: assignments will be written in their agenda on Monday. Please initial under Math on the highlighted line. Thank you.
- We are still in need of donations of gently used toys, games, pencil sharpeners, erasers, ect... Thank you to parents who have already donated to our store!
- Study Island Website- username and password to access study island is located in the front of the agenda.
- Addition and Subtraction fluency website: <u>www.mathtrainer.com</u>

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This Week:

Through our featured story this week, *Two Bad Ants*, we explored point of view and how to make text to world connections while reading. We were also reminded of the importance in working together for the benefit of the whole community — something that is true to the nature of an ant. Furthermore, we continued working with nouns and utilized the mentor sentence (a compound sentence) to help us expand and further develop our writing skills.

Next Week:

-Grammar:

- -Workbook Section 4: Verbs (4.1-4.4: Action, Linking/Being, Helping, and Principal Parts)
- -Mentor Sentence No Mentor Sentence next week
- -Old: Word Study (Spelling): No Words from this past week
- -New: Word Study (Spelling): Open Syllables (bacon & event) To be assigned on Wed 10/18
- -Featured Story: No Story next week
 - *Students will instead focus on Readworks' articles featuring National Hispanic Heritage Month and other reading resources*

Learning Ally

-portal.learningally.org - An online library resource with Read Aloud/Audiobook options, similar to Epic, but can be accessed at home at no additional cost to you.

Username - For example - t.little@cvillecatholic.org or ti.little@cvillecatholic.org (Student email) Password - For example - catholic1234 (catholic + last 4 of Student ID)

Theology

This Week:

We kicked off October, the month traditionally dedicated to the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, by coming together as a community to pray the Luminous Mysteries, reflecting on the life and ministry of Jesus. We also began learning about why God made us, how creation shows the glory of God, and the Gift-Of-Self (Lesson 1 from our Theology of the Body Curriculum).

Next Week:

Students will be busy next week working through our Christ In Us workbook. We will cover Lessons 3 (Why did God make us?) and 4 (Who is Jesus Christ?). We will also continue to practice the St. Michael Prayer by writing and designing a poster and again praying the rosary on Thursday with the whole school. Finally, we will introduce our Tenant of the Month for October, which is Collaborator. Our featured Saints of the Month will be Saint Peter and Saint Paul who will model for us how to effectively collaborate with one another.

-Quiz - Christ In Us - Lesson 3 - Wed 10/11 (Students can bring home workbook to study)

-Quiz - Christ In Us - Lesson 4 - Fri 10/13 (Students can bring home workbook to study)

Science

This week students are learning about the earth's axis, rotation, and revolution around the sun and how it affects our seasons. We will also practice the six steps in the scientific method by learning the words in a song. They have started on their vocabulary flip books which will become their study guides.

 Third grade will be taking care of our small school garden. We need donations of various garden tools and children's garden gloves to maintain our garden area. A big "THANK YOU" to all the parents who have donated to the care of our garden!

Next week students will learn how the earth and moon interact in our solar system. They will begin by learning the different phases of the moon, and the difference between a solar and lunar eclipse.