

## Charlottesville Catholic School

# Friday Newsletter



5th Grade 10/06/2023

#### 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!

Dear Parents and Students,

Do you like setting goals, making small but steady gains, and seeing what you can achieve? Then you might be interested in CCS Cross Country. Our team focuses on effort and not performance. We create a supportive environment to help you achieve your running goals. If Cross Country sounds interesting to you please come to the Cross Country tent at the CCS 5 this weekend to talk to the coaches and runners about what it is like to be on the team. You can also warm up with the team before the run if you want too. Hope to see you there!

Sincerely, Coach Kevin Jones CCS XC Coach

 Happy October to our CCS Families! In music class, our 2nd and 5th graders have been learning the sign language for "My Country Tis of Thee" for our Veteran's Day Service in November. If you would like to practice at home, here is the link to practice with. Thank you!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GIIIrx8Csrs

Happy Fall! Musically, Kate Wisbey

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

- Monday, October 9: No School
- Tuesday, October 10: No Mass, no Formal Dress required
- Tuesday, October 10: N. Central Region TEST (CAPS and spelling count)
- Thursday, October 12: Symphony field trip -formal dress required
- Friday, October 13: First Quarter IRA (Historical Fiction) on Google Classroom
- Friday, October 13: Math test
- Tuesday, October 17 : Science test
- Thursday, October 19: 1st Qtr. Khan Academy due
- Friday, October 20: End of 1st Quarter

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### **Social Studies**

In history we will be learning about early US history and how we came to be a nation. We will have a test on the states and capitals for the N. Central region of the US. on 10/10. We have been learning about the Jamestown and Plymouth settlements. We will be making a chart to compare all the colonies. This project will be completed in class.

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Students in 5th grade will be tested on all US states and their capitals. The states will be chunked by region for learning and mastery. A great way to study the states is found on a free game learning website:

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

### Math

This week we began working with exponents, equal groups, and multiplication with multiple digits. We will continue to work on learning the algorithm for multiplying multiple digit numbers. The end of the quarter is approaching, please be sure your child has completed their 1st quarter Khan Academy requirements.

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To reinforce math concepts and skills, students are assigned sections for Khan Academy (<a href="khanacademy.org">khanacademy.org</a>). This is for a grade. Students have their login and password in their planner. The 1st qtr. requirements, due before the end of the quarter are Decimal Place Value, Add Decimals and Subtract Decimals.

# Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week we continued reading *Wonder* and had a test on sentence fragments and run-on sentences. Students also had a test on their spelling/vocabulary words. Students also worked on a precept project related to *Wonder* and presented them at the end of the week.

We will continue reading and annotating *Wonder* next week, and we will begin a unit on nouns in grammar. We will also study the steps in the writing process, and students will have a quiz on that material early the following week. As we read *Wonder*, we will focus on characterization in the novel, using the skills we developed while reading short stories in the *Journeys* anthology.

The first quarter IRA is due Friday, October 13.

### Theology

This week we focused on the Rosary and had a test on that material. Next week we will return to the textbook and discuss the ways we come to know God.

### Science

We are learning about classification of living things. We will be playing SMITE on Monday, 10/16, and the test will be on Tuesday, 10/17.

\*Your child is encouraged to play Sortify "Tree of Life" on the BrainPop website under games. It is fun and helps students use classification.