



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

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Friday Newsletter

3rd Grade

11/15/24

Teacher's Message/Announcements

- 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 2024-2025**
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1iA_D6OGjSil0tg_BxrY2PTGValHFNhR/view?usp=drive_link

Calendar/Important Dates

- Tuesday, November 19 - 8:15 AM Mass (Students must be in formal dress)
- Wednesday, November 20 - 2nd Quarter Interim
- Monday, November 25 - Friday, November 29 - Thanksgiving Break (Students return on Monday, December 2)
- Monday, December 2 - Winter Dress Begins

Teacher email addresses

- Ms. Grassi - k.grassi-mikell@cvillecatholic.org
- Mr. Little - t.little@cvillecatholic.org

Important School Announcements

- **Diaper Drive** – Faith in Action is holding a Diaper Drive for Loaves & Fishes now through November 22. Collection bins will be in the student hallways. Your donation of new packages or boxes of diapers is greatly appreciated by the food pantry and parents in need.
- **PokeMon cards and toys are a distraction** to the school day. Please refrain from allowing your child to bring collectors/trading cards or other toys to school unless specifically notified by your child's teacher.
- **Lost & Found:** The Lost & Found is piling up! In addition to student items, there are several items that have been left by adults after events. Please make sure that student

belongings (especially CCS-branded ones) are labeled. If you or your child are missing something, please come in and check the Lost & Found.



- A great way for us to help our students become collaborators and leaders is to encourage them to participate in the **mass choir**. This year, we are inviting students in grades 3 through 8 to sign up. Below is a link for the sign up and a few items of note:
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C44ACAA2DA31-50743257-mass>
 - Students may sign up for as many masses as they would like.
 - Mass choir is open to students in grades 3 through 8.
 - Students should be dropped off at 7:40 so that there is time to practice. If you are running late and arrive after 7:45, you must go through carline.
 - Siblings may be dropped off as well. They will need to sit quietly up front until the bell rings at 7:45.
 - Students will also be practicing mass music in class.
 - While you should receive a reminder email from signupgenius, please make note of the dates you sign up for.
 - If you must cancel at the last minute, email Ms. Wisbey k.wisbey@cvillecatholic.org.

Social Studies

This Week: Students will be learning about the Andes Mountain Range, and will identify all the geographic features on their maps of South America. They will also work on completing a vocabulary flip book.

Next Week: Students will explore the continent of Africa and be introduced to three geographic features- The Nile River, Sahara Desert, and the Atlas Mountains.

Math

This Week: Students are learning addition using number patterns and compatible numbers as a strategy. They will learn how to add multiple digits with regrouping. They are also working on improving their fluency and accuracy with basic addition and subtraction skills using the website- mathtrainer.com

Next Week: Students are learning strategies to identify addition patterns and use partial sums to add three digit numbers.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This Week:

We continued to analyze characters, learned how to make inferences by adding clues from the text and your background knowledge together to look beyond what is stated in the text, and practiced the grammar skills of adding commas in a series and capitalization of proper nouns.

Next Week:

***At Home Project* - due Monday November 18**

-Turkey in Disguise Project - 2 Parts: Writing and Art Design

-Please check your child's red Friday folder for the information packet

-Word Study (Spelling): Long o & Vowel Team Syllables (cocoa, tiptoe, yellow, colt) - Quiz - Friday

-Writing/Grammar - *Mentor Sentence Quiz - Tuesday, 11/19*

-Skill(s): Commas in a Series, Proper Nouns, The Writing Process

-Mentor Text: Saturdays and Teacakes

-Mentor Sentence: *Every Saturday she had hot biscuits, sweet butter, and Golden Eagle Syrup waiting on the kitchen table.*

-Reading - Characters/Changes, Memoir, Visualize, Mental Images - Quiz (Saturdays and Teacakes) - Tuesday, 11/19

- Characters/Feelings - Quiz (Turkey Bowl) - Friday, 11/22

Homework: Reading Page (Let's Learn It) - Weeks 8 and 9 - Due Friday

Study Resources: Grammar Voyages (Punctuation and Capitalization - Section 7), ELA Notebook, Reading Notebook, ELAR Folder, and Word Study Intro Letter/Packet

Theology

This Week:

This week we prepared for our first Mass to be led by 3rd graders this year. Mr. Little's homeroom will be responsible for readings and being ushers, gift bearers, and door greeters at Mass on Tuesday, November 19. We are all very excited! Ms. Grassi's homeroom will lead Mass on Tuesday, December 17. We also prepared for and took our Unit 1 Theology Test from our Christ In Us workbook.

Next Week:

-Mass Prep - 3rd Grade (Mr. Little's Homeroom) will be leading Mass on Tuesday, November 19.

-November Tenet of the Month (Advocate)

Study Resources: Christ In Us Workbook, Theology Folder, Notebook

Science

This Week:

Students will continue observing and measuring the growth of their seedlings. They will learn the process of photosynthesis and the different types of plants located in ecosystems.

Next Week: Students will complete their vocabulary foldable. Students will be introduced to different habitats located in ecosystems and the types of organisms found in each ecosystem. They will also begin working on a packet containing the life cycle of plants.

Christmas Spirit Week

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Monday
Dec. 2
“Cozy Day”

- Loose fitting pj bottoms or sweatpants; comfy t-shirts or sweatshirts
- **NO slippers, crocs, leggings, onesies, or pj sets/nightgowns**
- Middle school: sneakers of choice
- JK-5: school sneakers

Tuesday
Dec. 3
Mass Day

- **No Spirit Wear dress up this day**
- **All students must be in formal dress uniforms for Mass**



Wednesday
Dec. 4
“Christmas Tag Day”

- Students must be in regular uniforms
- Christmas-themed accessories:
 - Necklaces, earrings, bracelets
 - Headbands or hair accessories
 - Socks, hats



Thursday
Dec. 5
“Sports Shirt Day”

- Students may wear a sports jersey or t-shirts (local team through major leagues)
- Middle school: jeans or uniform bottoms, sneakers of choice
- JK-5: uniforms bottoms and shoes

Friday
Dec. 6
“Blue & Gold Plus Day”

- Normal Blue & Gold Day dress requirements
- Blue or gold accessories:
 - Necklaces, earrings, bracelets
 - Headbands or hair accessories
 - Socks, hats

