



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
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Friday Newsletter

Junior Kindergarten

November 15, 2024

Teacher's Message/Announcements

Calendar/Important Dates

- November 25-29: No school; Thanksgiving break
- December 19: JK-2 Christmas Concert
- December 20: 11:30 dismissal
- December 23-Jan 3: Christmas break

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Important School Announcements

- We will have mass on Monday, December 9, to celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.
- 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.

Math

Ms. Wawner's class started learning about patterns this week. We focused on AB patterns and students created AB patterns with objects, colors, movements and sounds. We will continue working on patterns next week. Ms. Shank's class continued working on patterns. Next week we will begin working on positional words and counting objects to 20.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Ms. Wawner's class reviewed letters this week and practiced their sight word "I" with the book "I see." Students have been sent home with their books. Please ask them to read to you! We also visited our friends Elephant and Piggie again to talk about characters in a book. Ms. Shank's class worked on our letter H. Next week we will review all of the letters we have learned so far. We also read a book called "Apple Trouble" about a hedgehog and did a retelling of the story and a craft.

Theology/SEL

Ms. Wawner's class examined the difference between small and big problems. Small problems are ones that we can try to stay calm and solve ourselves. Big problems are when we need to ask for help. We worked with different scenarios and role play. Ms. Shank's class will begin learning about Advent and start to work on creating our Jesse tree in anticipation of our return to school after Thanksgiving break.

Science/Social Studies

Ms. Wawner's class learned about our digestive system. We talked about why humans eat food and how it travels through our system. Students had fun doing a stomach simulation with crackers, soda and a plastic bag, and making the digestive system out of play-dough. Next week, students will learn about wild turkeys! Ms. Shank's class finished our study of nocturnal animals. We learned about the hedgehog's life cycle and what their diet is. If you come for conferences you will see some of their work on our bulletin board. We are beginning a unit on adaptations, (hibernation, migration, dormancy, camouflage, and mimicry, and other forms of adaptations). We will also learn about why animals and humans use their adaptations to help them survive.

Christmas Spirit Week

2024



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

