



**Charlottesville
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Friday Newsletter

4th Grade

November 17, 2023

Dear 4th Grade Families,

We had a wonderful week in 4th grade and hope you did as well! This was a packed week and we made the most of our time together. We are incredibly thankful for you and your families support this school year. Thank you for helping make our time together a success and enjoy the Thanksgiving Break!

All the best,
4th Grade Team

Announcements

- On Thursday, November 30, John Kronstain will present "Are They OK? - Building a Better Understanding of Anxiety and How it Could be Impacting Your Child" for CCS parents at 7:00PM in the Performance Hall. Please use the form below to RSVP, as seating will be limited. Please note that childcare will not be provided. [November 30 Speaker Series RSVP](#)
- Winter dress **begins Monday, November 27**. Please see the Uniform Policy (located in the Resource Documents section of FACTS) for winter dress parameters.
- **Lunch Reminder: Today was the last day of Yay Lunch service. While we have secured a new lunch provider, they are not able to start service until January. ALL students will need to pack a lunch every day from November 27 through December 19. More information regarding our new provider will be forthcoming.**
- The originally published dates for the CCS Christmas Concerts have changed slightly. While the 3rd-5th Grade concert will remain on Tuesday, December 12, the JK-2nd Grade concert has been moved to Wednesday, December 13. Both concerts start at 6:15PM—students will need to arrive at school *no later than 5:45PM*.
- Join the Fun! Camp4Real Kids Night Out is Coming to Charlottesville Catholic on Dec. 15! Kids Night Out (KNO) is a three-hour drop-off event featuring a catered dinner and an exciting lineup of engaging P.E.-style games and activities for children in kindergarten through 6th grade! Family fun with an impact! Camp4Real is proud to support the CCS community and will donate a portion of the event proceeds right

back to our school! Discounted early registration is now open! [Click here](#) to learn more and snag your child's spot!

- The annual St. Nick's Shop (December 4-7) is an opportunity for JK-5 students to independently shop for their family at school. Prices will range from \$1 to \$15, with the majority at \$5, with many gift options to choose from. Gifts will be labeled and placed in gift bags to help keep them secret. This is a chance for students to buy gifts for others, not themselves. Participation is completely voluntary. [Please fill out one form per child](#). This form must be completed by November 29. All funds raised will be used to support PTO events for teachers and students such as the Teacher Christmas Luncheon and school ice cream socials. This payment will be billed through FACTS the week of December 11th—there will be no cash transactions this year. You also have the option to donate any change/unspent funds back to the school.
- CCS is using a new math program this year, Reveal Math, by McGraw Hill. This program is a tool for the teachers to help teach the curriculum standards. Some of the changes you may notice from the previous program include more rigorous problems, more reading, and problem solving at different levels. It is very exciting to see the higher level of critical thinking that can be taught with Reveal Math. We believe this program will help prepare the elementary students for success in math classes in middle school and beyond. Please reach out to Mrs. DeVane (L.devane@cvillecatholic.org) with any questions.
- CCS is happy to announce that we will be holding a virtual Good News! Book Fair from November 7-November 17th! All book orders should arrive at your home in time for Christmas presents. Want a sneak peek? Go to: <https://goodnewsbookfair.com/virtual-fair>. More information will be coming shortly!

Important Dates

- Monday, November 27, 2023- School Resumes (Welcome back!)
- Tuesday, December 12, 2023- 3rd-5th Grade Christmas Concert
- Wednesday, December 13, 2023- JK-2 Christmas Concert

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Social Studies

This week in SS, students completed and presented their Native American diorama projects! This was a fantastic opportunity to learn about Native American history and culture. Thank you for helping your child gather the materials needed to complete this project. It was a huge success!

When we return from Thanksgiving Break, we will begin to learn about Jamestown.

Science

This week in Science the kids continued to learn about physical and behavioral adaptations. They have enjoyed working on their Adaptation projects, and look forward to sharing these when we return from Thanksgiving break. When we return we will continue Chapter 3, and learn about extinction, fossils, and the ways species have evolved over time.

Math

This week in Math we have been focused on multiplication strategies involving partial products, area models, and the distributive property. We incorporated these skills into multi-step word problems with other operations. We took our Unit 6 test today. When we return from Thanksgiving break, we will begin Unit 7 and learn division strategies for multi-digit numbers. **Please ensure your child continues to work on multiplication facts 0-12 at home.**

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week in LA, students continued a new unit in which we are focusing on nonfiction texts. Students are learning how to properly read nonfiction texts, take notes, identify text structures, and get the most out of these informational books. It will culminate in a research project on natural disasters that will begin upon returning from Thanksgiving Break.

Theology

This week in Theology we have been learning about the Joyful mysteries of the Rosary, we continued writing an encouraging letter to our class seminarian, and have been focused on ways we praise and thank God in Unit 2 Lesson 7. We've related aspects of our own gatherings and celebrations for seasons and holidays, to those that we celebrate as a Church throughout our liturgical year. When we return from Thanksgiving break, we will begin Unit 2 Lesson 8: "How do we become members of the Church?"



November Nurse's Notes

If at any time you have questions or concerns, please reach out to me directly at s.queheillalt@cvillecatholic.org or 434-964-0400.

Cold, Flu, RSV, Strep and COVID season is upon us. One of the best ways to prevent illness and its spread, is good hand washing. When soap and water aren't available, alcohol based hand sanitizer can do the trick. Remember to thoroughly rub all hand/finger surfaces and to scrub for 20 seconds. Sing a happy tune as you go! Cough and sneeze into your elbow and when possible avoid crowded places and spending time with those who are sick or having symptoms. See the links for more information.

[CDC - Flu](#) [CDC - RSV](#) [CDC - Strep](#) [CDC - COVID](#)

CCS illness policy abides by the Virginia Department of Health (VDOH) guidelines which requires students to remain home until **FEVER FREE** for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing agents. Fever Free is a temperature of less than 100.1°F. Also, gastrointestinal (GI) issues such as vomit and diarrhea, must remain home until 24 hours free of symptoms. **After any illness, students should not return to school unless they can successfully make it through the day. Reminder! No medications including cough drops will be dispensed without a licensed medical provider's order.**

CCS will notify families of any infectious outbreaks that occur within the school setting. Per the VDOH, an outbreak is the occurrence of more cases of disease than expected. There is no strict definition of an outbreak or specific number of cases that need to occur to be considered an outbreak.

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS	COLD	FLU
Symptom onset	Gradual	Abrupt
Fever	Rare	Usual
Aches	Slight	Usual
Chills	Uncommon	Fairly common
Fatigue, weakness	Sometimes	Usual
Sneezing	Common	Sometimes
Chest discomfort, cough	Mild to moderate	Common
Stuffy nose	Common	Sometimes
Sore throat	Common	Sometimes
Headache	Rare	Common

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Colder Weather means Warmer Clothes

Please remember that upon our return from Thanksgiving break, winter dress is in place. Children also need to be sent with appropriate weather clothing. This could mean gloves, hats, coats/jackets, etc. As more items are worn into school, less items may make it home. Please write your child's name in any items you wish not to lose.

