

# Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

# Junior Kindergarten

### **Important Dates**

Wednesday November 23rd - 25th - Thanksgiving Break Monday December 5-9 - St. Nick's Shop Wednesday, December 14th - Christmas Concert

### **Math**

JK students continued to work on understanding the teen numbers. We are finishing up our unit on more and less, greater than and less than, same and equal. Students will be expected to start writing their numbers 0-10 independently. After the Thanksgiving break we will begin a unit on patterns.

# Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Ms. Wawner's class learned about the letter d this week by going on a d hunt, completing a maze, Creating ds with dots and dressing our own dragons. Next week, both classes will begin reviewing the letters we have learned and begin letter/sound assessments when we return from Thanksgiving break. Ms. Shank's class will begin an author study of Jan Brett, the author of "The Mitten" and "The Hat".

## <u>Religion</u>

The Advent season is upon us. Each class will have an advent wreath and a Jesse Tree in their classroom to celebrate the traditions of advent.

#### Science/Social Studies

Ms. Wawner's class learned about maps this week. We studied various maps of cities, states, and countries and talked about similarities between them. We created a map of the classroom and each student made a map of their room. When we return from break, Ms. Wawner's class will learn about the life cycle and habitat of reindeers. Ms. Shank's class finished our study of maps and globes by each student making a map of their own town or city. We also started a unit on chemistry and chemical reactions. We completed an experiment with lemons and baking soda called a "lemon volcano". Next week will be

mentos and diet coke. When we return from break we will begin a unit on the 5 senses, exploring the many sights, smells, and sounds of the Advent season.

#### Other

The cold weather is upon us. Please make sure that your child has a warm coat and maybe a hat and gloves, as we do go outside early in the morning at approximately 9:00 a.m. Please label hats and scarfs as they can get easily lost.

### From The Administration

#### December 5-9: St. Nick's Shop

The Cville Catholic School St. Nick's shop is a chance for students in JK-5th grade to shop for some small holiday gifts for family members. The shop will offer items ranging from \$2-\$15 that students can choose to purchase for family members (sibling gifts are available in the lower dollar range and some of the parent gifts are in the upper range). The week before the event, a form will be sent home for parents to complete listing the names of each gift recipient and dollar amount range that each student can spend per person on the list. Participation is optional. Parents can elect to donate any unspent funds to the school, or request change.

Each class will have a designated shopping day/time. A few students at a time will go in to shop (the rest of the class will watch a Christmas movie while waiting). Once inside, each shopper will walk around with a volunteer parent shopper to help them choose gifts within their shopping budget. Gifts will be wrapped by a separate set of parents. Volunteers are needed to help with shopping and check-out/wrapping.

If you're interested is helping out during the week, please sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F45AFAD2FAAFCC70-stnicks