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Friday Newsletter

First Grade

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Upcoming Dates:

- **November 9-** 11:30 Dismissal Parent Teacher Conferences; Veterans Day Prayer Service
- **November 10-** No School Parent Teacher Conferences

Announcements:

Parent Teacher Conference Links-

Milnor- calendly.com/mrsmilnorccs/

Mauney- calendly.com/r-mauney/

Virtual Good News! Book Fair: 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 peak? Go to:
<https://goodnewsbookfair.com/virtual-fair>.

Veterans Day Prayer Service: We will be honoring our veterans on November 9 with a Veterans Day prayer service and flag planting ceremony. Please join us in the gym at 8:15AM. Our families and close veteran friends are welcome to join us. This is a very special school tradition. Students do NOT need to wear their formal dress uniforms that day. CCS students who participate in scouts may wear their scouting uniform to school that day.

Pan! Join Wendy, John, Michael, and our elementary drama club on a trip to Neverland! Be there as Peter Pan battles Captain Hook, Lost Boys fight pirates, Tiger Lily gets captured, and more! Performances are TOMORROW (Saturday, November 4) at both 1:00PM and 6:00PM in the Performance Hall. There is no cost to attend—hope to see you there!

Charlottesville Symphony Orchestra is offering free tickets to students and their families from Charlottesville Catholic School. Free student and accompanying adult tickets are available for their Masterworks concert on Sunday, November 12 at 3:30pm at Martin Luther King, Jr. Performing Arts Center. The program features Beethoven's *Emperor* piano concerto and symphonic choral works by American composers.

Please send your information on how many tickets you need for you and your family through our Google Form:

<https://forms.gle/VpFxtBV1Foj7o5C49>

The deadline for requesting tickets for this concert is Wednesday, November 8, 5pm.

Social Studies

This week we started our lapbook that will focus on Election Day and Veterans Day. We held a class election in which we listened to the books "Duck for President" as well as "Grace for President". We then made campaign posters for the candidate we wanted to vote for. We worked on casting our ballot and then counted the votes and graphed them.

Math

This week we continued adding within 20. We explored doubles as well as doubles +1 and doubles +2. We also learned how to make 10 in order to solve an addition number sentence. On Halloween we worked on a math Halloween escape room which explored topics that we have learned so far this year as well as some challenges that we will be learning about this year. The spooky characters in our escape room either left a trick like pumpkin guts, ghost poop, and a zombie hand (just to name a few) or they brought us treats which we brought home with us. Next week we will finish up addition within 20.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Reading

Through our main story of the week, *Maddi's Fridge*, as well as supplemental readings, we made valuable connections (text to text and text to world) and explored ideas of friendship and charity. We also examined how to read a website while discussing internet safety. Next week we will read the story, *Plump and Perky Turkey*, and focus on asking questions as readers and summarizing skills (Beginning, Middle, and End).

Grammar

This week's focus was on common nouns vs. proper nouns. We addressed the need for proper nouns (specific names of people, places, and brands) to be capitalized and compared nouns like school and Charlottesville Catholic School. Next week we will target adjectives and use them to describe characters from our stories and people and things in our writing.

Writing

This week we included proper nouns into our writing as we wrote about friendship and ways to help one another. We also wrote within Daily 5 activity rotations and in other content areas such as Social Studies (Veterans Day), Religion (Giving Thanks), and morning work tasks. Next week we will be working on summaries as well as focusing on adjectives to help describe/bring color to our writing.

Theology

In Theology this week, we discussed the importance of being generous with others. We read about Jesus' greatest and 2nd greatest commandments from the gospel of Matthew and learned that we are required, as Christians, to be charitable with our neighbors both in words and actions. We, also, learned about the virtue of advocacy and how St. Teresa of Avila exemplified this virtue by helping her fellow sisters grow in their own relationships with God.

Science

We focused on social studies this week.

Other Information

Colder Weather is here!

Please make sure that your child brings something warm and long sleeve to school each day (e.g., jacket, sweatshirt, sweater). We will continue to go outside, weather permitting, for recess, lunch, and snack as much as we can.

Winter Dress

Winter Dress begins when we return from Thanksgiving Break (Monday, November 27). This means we are no longer wearing shorts and ankle socks. Girls must also be in navy knee highs, navy leggings, or navy tights. Please have your child try on their uniform pants to make sure that they fit, and place orders soon, as FlynnO'Hara has been running into distribution and shipping delays.

Snack (8:45/9:00)/ Lunch (11:50)

Please include a snack with your child's lunch everyday along with a filled spill proof water bottle. Please be mindful of the food that you are packing. Our first grade classrooms are nut free, so double check labels. Nuts are okay to bring into the cafeteria for lunch time this year!

Specials Schedule

Monday - Art and Music Tuesday - Library & Mass Wednesday - P.E.

Thursday-Library Friday - Music

Dress Uniform

Boys - Blue pants, white dress shirt, CCS tie/bowtie, black school shoes, and blue or black socks
NO white.

Girls- Plaid jumper, solid dark shorts underneath, white peter pan collared shirt, navy knee socks NO white or black knee socks, and black school shoes.

Homework (M-TH)

Math- Complete Spiral Math Review 9

Reading- Read for 15 min./night. Please record the title of the book that was read each night. Additionally, for each completed book, your child will color in their reading log for the month (e.g. November = Turkey).

ELA- Complete Spiral ELA Review 9
Religion- Practice Hail Mary Prayer



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