

# Charlottesville Catholic School Friday Newsletter

## Nov 4, 2022

# 2nd Grade

Dear Rainbow Cheetah and Silly Sloth families,

This short week was jam packed with fun! From Halloween festivities to the All Saints Wax Museum, the Rainbow Cheetahs and Silly Sloths had a blast!

Report cards are available in FACTS! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Thank you for joining us for conferences to discuss progress and set goals. We love gushing about our Silly Sloths and Rainbow Cheetahs. As always, it's lovely to spend time with the amazing families of Charlottesville Catholic!

God bless, Mrs. Pearring & Mrs. Robinson <u>m.pearring@cvillecatholic.org</u> <u>h.robinson@cvillecatholic.org</u>



#### <u>Announcements</u>

- Spelling/Word Work will resume next week! Please use the <u>choice board</u> to complete homework. Spelling/Work homework is **due on Fridays**.
- We will be honoring our Veterans on November 11 with a Veterans Day prayer service and flag planting ceremony. Please join us in the gym at 8:15. Our families and close veteran friends are welcome to join us. This is a very special school tradition.

Students who participate in scouts may wear their scouting uniform to school that day.

- Reminder: Ms. Wisbey, our marvelous music teacher, has an amazing reward system in her classroom! One of the choices is a class talent show! Children are welcome to submit short (less than 1 min.) videos of even non-music related talents to showcase in class.
  - Mrs. Pearring's class, add your short videos to THIS FOLDER
  - Mrs. Robinson's class, add your short videos to <u>THIS FOLDER</u>

#### <u>Calendar</u>

- 11/23-11/25 School Closed for Thanksgiving Break
- 11/28 Winter Dress Begins
- 12/2 Blue & Gold Day
- 12/14 Christmas Concert (more details forthcoming)
- 12/16 11:30 Dismissal
- 12/19-12/30 Christmas Break

### Math

The Sloths and Cheetahs turned their focus to number patterns this week. Our cute counters practiced skip counting (by 2s, 5s, and 10s) and worked with repeated addition. They happily used mathematical manipulatives (counters, ten frames, 100 charts, etc.) and mental math to solve both computation and story problems. We're inspired by the confidence our mathematicians are building!

On your mark, get set, go! This week marks the beginning of timed daily math fact practice in class. The Cheetahs and Sloths will build mastery (missing two or fewer problems) through 20 levels of fact fluency. To support your sweet student, please practice math facts at home daily. We're hopeful that each of our super second graders will be able to recall math facts without the use of fingers, drawings, or manipulatives by the end of the second quarter.

## Literacy

The Cheetahs and Sloths read nonfiction passages about Halloween and All Saints Day, presented their fabulous projects, enjoyed several read alouds, watched Charlotte's Web, and even used BreakoutEDU to hone their detective skills to save Halloween!

Next week, we'll resume Word Work/Spelling!

## Religion

Wow oh wow oh wow! That's all we can say for our incredible Saints in training for all of their efforts in our successful wax museum! Thank you families for all of your help at home. We could not have done it without you!

Elsewhere in Religion this week, we spent time learning about the history and faith connections to Halloween with an informative class reading. Then, on Wednesday, students spent time reviewing the 7 Sacraments in preparation for our quiz next Wednesday.

Next week, the Church celebrates Vocations Awareness Week and Charlottesville Catholic is participating! In the classroom, we will learn that Vocations are how God is calling us to love and serve Him in the world, what the 4 main Vocations are, explore vestments of priests and religious, AND write letters to a seminarian! God is calling us on a mission to love and serve!

### Science/Social Studies

Spooky Science haunted our Halloween! Ask your child all about dancing ghouls, ghost balloons, and puking pumpkins! Our fun was so gigantic, we'll continue it next week with elephant toothpaste and candy science! Thank you to the many generous families who donated materials for this frightful fun!

In our next unit, we'll turn our focus back to Social Studies to learn all about the symbols and traditions that honor and foster patriotism in the United States of America, as well as the responsibilities of a good citizen.