Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

3rd Grade 11/5/21

Teacher's Message/Announcements

- Please send a clean mask with your child every day and a water bottle. Thank you.
- Please do not send any nut products this year. Thank you.
- We need donations for our monthly class store. We would love to have used toys, books, games, ect.. Thank you! Ms. Grassi
- Important upcoming dates:
 - November 8th-Blue and Gold Day
 - November 10th 3rd grade pictures-students must be in formal dress.
 - November 11th Veterans Day Prayer Service Students must be in formal dress
- Contact us:
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 - Mrs. Kelliher <u>s.kelliher@cvillecatholic.org</u>

English Language Arts

This week we continued on with verbs talking about verb tenses. We continued on with our novel study <u>Stone Fox</u>, and continued to work on dictionary skills to strengthen vocabulary while reading. In writing, we worked through the revising and editing stage of our stories. As usual, we continued on with our cursive writing.

Next week we will be continuing on with <u>Stone Fox</u>, cursive, verbs, and publishing our story. We will also be picking spelling up next week.

Religion

This week the students learned a little about saints for All Saints Day. We also reviewed and studied for our Unit 2 Test.

Next week, we will start Unit 3 - How do we live what we believe? We will be focused on how we know that God loves us.

Math

This week we will focus on strategies to improve our mental math addition skills, such as place value, number patterns and properties of addition. We will learn how to estimate sums by rounding to the nearest ten and hundred.

Next week we will begin our unit on money by identifying mixed coins and making change. We will also estimate sums of three and four digit numbers using our mental math strategies. We are also practicing on our addition and subtraction fluency and students are welcome to use these websites at home.

- Websites: Addition and Subtraction fluency practice- go to <u>www.mathtrainer.com</u>, or <u>https://tangmath.com/numskill</u>
- Math Concepts and Skills Review and Practice- go to www.studyisland.com, their username and password are in their agenda.

Science

This week we'll be learning about deciduous and evergreen trees. We will investigate their types of leaves and compare them with shrubs and grasses. We will also learn about flowers and how they play a role in the plant's life cycle.

Next week we'll be learning about how plants make their food through the use of chlorophyll and photosynthesis. We will also review our vocabulary and complete a study guide.

Social Studies

This week students will learn about three geographic features of South America, which are the Amazon River, the Amazon Rainforest, and the Andes Mountains.

Next week we will explore the Continent of Africa and three geographic features, which will include the Nile River, the Sahara Desert, and the Atlas Mountains. We will continue to work on adding to our passport project.