



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

Charlottesville Catholic School Friday Newsletter

5th Grade
11/08/2024



Teacher's Message/Announcements:

- We will be holding parent conferences Thursday, November 14 (after the 11:30 dismissal), and the morning of Friday, November 15. Please use the following link to schedule a conference:
https://calendly.com/5th_grade_fall_conferences/2023-conferences
 - If we met with you in the past few weeks, please consider not signing up for another conference on one of these days (allowing the spaces for parents who have not yet had a conference). If you had a recent conference, but need a follow-up, please let us know, and we can schedule another time to meet outside of the Nov.14/15 time frame.

Calendar/Important Dates:

Tuesday, Nov. 12: SW Region test

Wednesday, Nov. 13: Math TEST: Division

Wednesday, Nov. 13: Final copy of Colonial Trade Journal entry & fact sheet (typed) due

Wednesday, Nov. 13: Colonial Presentations (in costume, with props)

Thursday, Nov. 14: Quiz on possessive nouns

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Important School Announcements

- We will have mass on Monday, December 9, to celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Please consider signing up for the mass choir: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C44ACAA2DA31-50743257-mass#/>.
- Diaper Drive–Faith in Action is holding a Diaper Drive for Loaves & Fishes now through November 22. Collection bins will be in the student hallways. Your donation of new packages or boxes of diapers is greatly appreciated by the food pantry and parents in need.

Social Studies

In history we will be learning about early US history and how we came to be a nation. We are going to be learning about the first English colonies in North America. We have been preparing for our Colonial trade presentations. Here are a few important dates: Rough draft due 11/7, Final copy due 11/13, Colonial Trade presentations on 11/13 (in costume, with props, memorization *not* required).

See the link for more details:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rpfXNu7WgBCGxtKN0v_Yt74fiUg_kyxGqVBBFqgZL6l/edit?usp=sharing

Students will be tested on sections of the United States. Students need to identify each state and write the correct name and its capital. To make this more manageable, students will only be learning one section at a time. The **SW Region test** will be on Tuesday, November 12th. **November 19th & 20th** will be the test dates for **all 50 states and capitals**. Students need to identify the correct state by shape/location and be able to write the state and capital name (spelling and capital letters count).

To help learn the states, your student may want to play some helpful online review games.

<https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/geography/usa/50-states-game>

Math

We have started to review long division using the mnemonic “Does McDonalds sell cheese burgers?” Knowing your multiplication facts is a must for success. Please continue to practice multiplication facts at home. We will have a test on long division 11/13.

To reinforce math concepts and skills, students are assigned sections for Khan Academy ([khanacademy.org](https://www.khanacademy.org)). This is for a grade. Students have their login and password in their

planner. The 2nd qtr. requirements are to complete *Get ready for multiplication and division with whole numbers and decimals* (unit 4) and *Get ready for powers of 10* (unit 6). Students will work on Khan Academy as part of their extended math time.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week we continued discussing and analyzing *Wonder*, and students turned in the banner project connected to the novel. We also had a quiz on nouns (common/proper and singular/plural), and students received a new list of spelling words (High Frequency Words, List #1). We also began studying possessive nouns.

Next week, in the short week, we will focus heavily on *Wonder* and will finish that late next week or early the following week. Students will have a test on the novel the week before Thanksgiving break. We will also work with the new spelling words and continue to study possessive nouns and have a quiz on possessive nouns on Thursday.

Theology

We had a quiz this week on the vocabulary words associated with the liturgical calendar, and we did several activities for Vocation Awareness Week.

Next week, we will focus on the liturgical calendar itself and will begin an in-class project on the calendar. That project will involve creating a liturgical calendar for 2024-2025 for each classroom in the school.

Science

We have begun our unit on atoms and elements. We will be researching and presenting on our chosen element. Look for details to come. This is completed mostly in class.

We will also be making a conservation project using empty 2 liter bottles. Please send in any empty 2 liter bottles if you can.