



**Charlottesville  
Catholic School**  
*Christ Community Scholars*

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## Friday Newsletter

### 2nd Grade

### December 13, 2024

#### **Calendar/Important Dates**

**Thursday, December 19** - JK-2 Christmas Concert

**Friday, December 20** - 11:30 Dismissal

#### **Teacher email addresses**

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\*Please don't hesitate to reach out! We are excited to be your partners in your child's education!

#### **Important School Announcements**

- **Christmas Break is a great time to make sure that uniform pieces fit students properly (especially lengths for pants, skirts, and jumpers), and for boys to get haircuts.**
- There are 2 separate Christmas concerts for students this year. **The 3rd-5th Grade concert is on Wednesday, December 18, and the JK-2nd Grade concert is on Thursday, December 19.** Both concerts start at 6:15PM.

Important concert night information:

- **Students should arrive at their classrooms between 5:40 PM and 5:55 PM.** When they arrive, they are to go directly to their classrooms. Parents should go directly to the gym upon arrival.

- At the end of both concerts, K-5 students will return to their homerooms. **Parents must sign their children out with their teachers.**
    - JK students will be dismissed after they sing.
  - Students should wear their “Christmas best.”
- If you are able to help Ms. Wisbey set up or clean up from the concerts, please sign up here: [Christmas Concert Help](#)
  - From the PTO: We will celebrate our incredible CCS faculty and staff by hosting a Christmas luncheon on December 18. We are seeking donations of food items and volunteers to monitor recess. Please [sign up here](#) if you are able to assist. Thank you for helping to make this a special event!  
*Food donations should be dropped off during the morning carline on 12/18 (there will be a cart for collections at both carlines).*

## Math

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We continued our unit on subtraction strategies. We worked on decomposing, using the number line and using tens and ones to subtract.

## Language Arts/Reading/Writing

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This week we learned about holidays around the world. Please ask your child what holiday was their favorite. We also continued reading our whole class read aloud called [The Family Under the Bridge](#) by Natalie Savage Carlson. The story is about finding family in the unlikeliest of places during the holiday season.

In writing, students have been continuing to work on writing using complete sentences. We have been focusing on the writing process by prewriting, writing drafts, editing and revising and writing final drafts. We created “ugly” Christmas sweaters. The students wrote why they think their sweater is amazing, as we will vote next week on our favorite sweater.

In grammar, we focused on using adjectives in our writing. Ask your child about the kindness activity we did.

In Mrs. Bryan's class, in writing we continued working on writing a diary as an elf, so we have several daily entries for these. We have also started working on an informative writing booklet for Selling a Home at the North Pole.

## Theology

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This week we continued learning about some stories from the bible and added an ornament that represents the stories to our Jesse Tree. We also have been continuing to learn about the

advent season and sharing our traditions during this time of year. Next week, we will focus on the birth of Jesus and create a nativity scene to hang on our school windows.

## Social Studies

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This week we focused on traditions.

## Science

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This week, we focused on social studies.

## Other Information

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### **Snack (9:20/9:55)/ Lunch (11:30)**

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 second 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 - Music

Tuesday - Library & Mass

Wednesday - Art, P.E, & Chapel

Thursday- Library

Friday - Music

### **Homework (M-TH)**

Please check your child's blue folder for any homework. All homework will be written by your child in their agenda book each day.

Your child will have a reading response prompt and a math/writing homework sheet.

Please, no more than 25 minutes a night. Reading should be done every night!