

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

Junior Kindergarten December 15, 2023

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Calendar/Important Dates
Tuesday, December 19th - Last day of school before Christmas Break

Science/Social Studies

Ms. Shank's class worked on our 5 sense unit. We used our ears to guess sounds. We smelled jars with vinegar, peppermint, orange, lemons, vanilla and tried to determine which jar had which smell. We played with peppermint playdough for our sense of touch. Finally, we sorted pictures that related to our sense of sight. Our culmination project was the creation of a Christmas 5 senses book. When we return we will complete a unit on ice and snow. Ms. Wawner's class learned about the parts of a reindeer this week and a reindeer's life cycle.

Math

Ms. Wawner's class reviewed their numbers this week and started to experiment with skip counting. Ms. Shank's class worked on subitizing and assessing our teen numbers. We will be working on patterns when we return.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Ms. Wawner's class learned about the letter E this week and the two sounds it makes. We read Elephant & Piggy books. We worked on the sight word "the" and practiced sentences from the book, "The Party". Ms. Shank's class read "Dad and I" to go with our sight word "and". We read lots of books about Christmas. We read "The Little Old Lady Who Swallowed a Bell" and answered some comprehension questions.

<u>Theology</u>

Ms. Wawner's class continued to put ornaments on our Jesse tree and learn new stories from The Bible, like the story of Ruth and Queen Elizabeth. We will finish our Jesse Tree on Monday of next week. Students have enjoyed reading the Christmas Story and coming up with ideas of gifts they can give to Jesus. Ms. Shank's class also put ornaments on our Jesse tree and also learned about the Christmas story..

Other News and Reminders

- Even though the weather is turning colder, we will continue to get the students outside for recess as often as possible. Please make sure your child has the outerwear needed so that they can participate in recess. Below are the guidelines we follow:
 - Students should stay inside if the wind-chill factor is below 25°F.
 - If the wind-chill is in the 30s, students should have a coat (not a sweatshirt) and it should be encouraged that their heads are covered (hat or cinched coat/sweatshirt hood).
 - If the wind-chill is in the 40s, students should at least have a sweatshirt on.
 - Students who do not have the proper outerwear will sit in the front office for recess.
- Lunch Reminder: While we have secured a new lunch provider, they are not able to start service until January. ALL students will need to pack a lunch every day until December 19. More information regarding our new provider will be forthcoming.