



**Charlottesville  
Catholic School**  
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## Friday Newsletter

Dec 16, 2022

### 2nd Grade

Dear Rainbow Cheetah and Silly Sloth families,

It's the most wonderful time of the year! The Cheetahs and Sloths have thoroughly enjoyed all of the festive fun in second grade this week! From creating special gifts to holiday sing-alongs and dance parties, our classrooms have been full of smiles and joy!

The Sloths and Cheetahs had a holly jolly time at our Christmas parties! The crafts, games, and pizza lunch brought adorable cheer to our energetic elves! Thank you to our room parents, Kelly Curry and Robert Chisholm, for organizing such a cute Christmas party, and to ALL of you for the donations that made it both memorable and delicious!

We pray that each and every one of you has a very blessed Christmas and a joyous New Year!

God bless,

Mrs. Pearring & Mrs. Robinson

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#### **Calendar**

1/3 -School Resumes

1/6 - Blue/Gold Day

1/13 - No School

1/16 - No School

## **Announcements**

- No spelling instruction, test, or homework the week of January 2-January 6. We'll turn our attention to grammar when school weeks are shortened.
  
- Oh, cozy kids! Oh, cozy kids! Please dress them warmly! Don't forget to label all of your child's clothing and outerwear. If you're missing items, check out the CCS Lost & Found (located in the stairwell near the cafeteria), as well as the Silly Sloth Classroom Lost & Found (located in a box under the ActivPanel).
  
- Uniform Reminder from Mrs. Fallica:
  - When we return from Christmas break, please make sure that your child's uniforms fit properly and guidelines regarding hair, makeup, and jewelry are being followed. Additionally, it is imperative that your child comes to school in proper outerwear for recess. Coats, hats, and gloves are required for the winter months. We truly appreciate your support.
  - Cuando regresemos de las vacaciones de Navidad, por favor asegúrese de que el uniforme de su hijo le quede bien y que siga las reglas con respecto al cabello, el maquillaje y las joyas. Por ejemplo, para los niños, el cabello no debe extenderse sobre las orejas o debajo del cuello de la camisa. Tampoco debe tocar las cejas. Para niñas, los lazos para el cabello deben ser conservadores. También no se permite esmalte ni aretas que cuelgan. Adicionalmente, es imperativo que su hijo venga a la escuela con abrigo adecuado para el recreo. Se requieren abrigos, gorros y guantes para los meses de invierno. Nosotros verdaderamente apreciamos tu apoyo. Como siempre, si tiene alguna pregunta acerca del uniforme, por favor comuníquese con la Srta. Goodwin.
  
- Reminder: To add to Ms. Wisbey's special talent show, please use the below links. 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 [THIS FOLDER](#)

## Math

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Our marvelous mathematicians tried their hand at Christmas algebra (teddy bear + wreath = snowman!), used their critical thinking and problem solving skills to save Christmas with BreakoutEDU, and reviewed concepts from the first and second quarters with Christmas themed challenges. Nice work, cuties!

What's in store for the Sloths and Cheetahs in January? Two-digit addition with and without regrouping! Prep your sweetheart with fact fluency practice...perfect for a long car ride, airport layover, or for showing off in front of grandma!

If your child is like us and is a math monster, check out SplashLearn.com! Your child may access the site for free to complete work that we assign. New assignments have been added for two-digit addition and subtraction that you can preview before official instruction begins in January! Hooray!

## Literacy

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All Aboard! Our vivacious voyagers embarked on a tremendous train trip to learn how Christmas and other holidays are celebrated around the world. Armed with a "suitcase," our sweet Santas-in-training received passport stamps at each stop aboard the Polar Express! Let your Sloth or Cheetah amaze you with his/her knowledge of traditions around the world, as well as the ability to say "Merry Christmas" in a handful of languages! Following this exciting excursion, while sipping hot cocoa and nibbling on rice krispie treats, the Cheetahs and Sloths were treated to a private screening of "The Polar Express." These kids are FANCY!

Staffing shortage at the North Pole? SOLVED! The Sloths and Cheetahs were delighted to receive a letter from Father Christmas bringing them aboard his magical team, complete with an elf identification badge! Of course Santa saw the shimmer and sparkle in each of our exuberant elves and hired them all!

The first gifts of Christmas? Reindeer food to sprinkle on your lawn and a single bell from Santa's sleigh for all who truly believe!

## Religion

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"Prepare the Way of the Lord!" was our song this week as students prepared for their first Mass. Even amidst all of the practice and incredible hard work, this week would not be 2nd grade's week. Our next Mass is scheduled for mid-February, so please stay tuned!

Over the break, please consider spending special time in prayer with your family in remembrance of this special season of Christmas. We look forward to beginning a new unit on Prayer in class in the New Year!

## Science/Social Studies

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In January, the Sloths and Cheetahs will begin a unit on famous Americans, learning all about some of the incredible men and women who shaped this amazing country of ours! From Abraham Lincoln to Helen Keller, Jackie Robinson to Cesar Chavez, Benjamin Franklin to Rosa Parks, our sweet students will be inspired! We'll also kick off a research project that will showcase the individuality and unique talents of each Sloth and Cheetah!