

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

December 16, 2022

Kindergarten

Thank you for contributing to our Gingerbread Party. We also appreciate the amazing group of parents who came to set up and help with the party. It was so much fun!

We are very blessed to have such a wonderful group of parents who are actively involved in our school. We are so grateful for all the ways that you support the students, faculty, and staff at Charlottesville Catholic School. You give of your time and resources to shine your light and make our school and this world a better place. We are very fortunate to be part of the CCS community and we are so thankful for you.

Merry Christmas!

"For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." --Isaiah 9:6

Please feel free to reach out with any questions or comments. The best way to reach us is by email.

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Winter Dress/Outerwear

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.

Please see the Uniform Policy (found in the Resource Documents section of FACTS Family Portal and at the bottom of this page) for specifics. As a reminder, students may only wear CCS sweatshirts or fleeces inside the building.

Please label all outerwear. It is helpful to sew a ribbon into the tag so that your child can easily identify his or her jacket. Please teach your child how to zip his or her jacket.

- Please send a school fleece or sweater for the classroom in case your child is cold in the building.
- Please label everything that you would like returned to your house. Over the years, we have had a very high rate of return for misplaced items that were clearly labeled.

Important Dates

- 12/19 Christmas break
 1/3 School resumes
- 3/4 Father Daughter Dance

Social Studies

Students say prayers and the Pledge of Allegiance each day. Students are learning about Christmas traditions in other countries.

Math

We continued our Math Journals this week. Each day we graph the weather for the day, add a number to our calendar, draw a circle in our 180 day ten frame chart, and color in a number in our 100s chart. We composed and decomposed numbers up to 10. We will begin our unit in addition after Christmas.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

The focus this week was on short u word families. Students are learning to blend sounds to read consonant-vowel-consonant words. Please continue to practice sight words at home. Students are working on pencil grip and writing on the lines. Students are learning the structure of Daily Five. As we send books home, please have your child point to each word and read the book three or more times. We are working hard to help students build independence by approaching tasks with the following guidelines: get started right away, work the whole time, stay in one spot, work quietly, build your stamina. Students have been highlighting sight words and reading Luke Chapter 2. Please ask your child to read Luke Chapter 2 with you.

Religion

We read a Bible story each day, prayed and talked about how God led the Israelites to the promised land. We also have a science related devotion each day and we are learning a lot about God's amazing world. Each day, students listened to a Bible story, color an ornament that represents the story, and hung it on their Jesse trees. We also read Luke chapter 2 each day.

Science

We made lots of crafts related to our Christmas Around the World unit. We also made Gingerbread playdough in the STEM lab.

https://www.steamda.com/schoolyearprograms

Steam Discovery Academy: https://www.steamda.com/charlottesville

Other Information

2022/2023 Student/Parent Handbook https://cvillecatholic.us11.list-manage.com/track/click?u=9b38293f7bcd2ecbc2bab7c88&id=a89c b5f427&e=fdab17459c **Charlottesville Catholic School Uniform Policy** Kindergarten website https://sites.google.com/cvillecatholic.org/ccs-kindergarten-website/home Songs and story links: Creation song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nY2W4nOD x8 "Jesus Loves Me" by Listener Kids - YouTube Let's Go Deep, Deep, Deep https://video.link/w/UXT1d Power Shuffle | Everest VBS Music Video | Group Publishing See It, Say It, Sign It | Letter Sounds | ASL Alphabet | Jack Hartmann Exercise, Rhyme and Freeze | Rhyming Words for Kids | Exercise Song | Jack Hartmann: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cSPmGPIyykU Where Do you Start Your Letters https://video.link/w/OjNAc Thank you song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0eEkWvekQiE http://thisreadingmama.com/101-alphabet-activities-printables/ http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/alphabet-games http://www.kizclub.com/activities.htm See It, Say It, Sign It | Letter Sounds | ASL Alphabet | Jack Hartmann See It Say It Sign It Volume 2 Jack Hartmann ASL Alphabet

Sound pronunciation: <u>https://sightwords.com/phonemic-awareness/sound-pronunciations/#chart</u>

<u>Raz-Kids</u> Students began reading books on Raz-kids. This online program allows each student to select a book, listen to it, read it themselves, and then answer comprehension questions. Students get 150 digital stars for completing all three parts of each book.

Parent Tool Kit for Raz-kids: <u>https://www.kidsa-z.com/shared/images/teacherCorner/learninga-z-parent-t</u> <u>oolkit-english.pdf</u>

Christmas carols with lyrics https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9aJXZR37ASo https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t-BcLKW1rQ0 Learning Station <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=roUflgT3EzE</u> Hartman Reindeer Hokey pokey https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=atVSapVNr18 Hartman December song https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XGwIXvG1fiQ Hartman Holiday Dance https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Cq79KqD8q4 Hartman Christmas finger family: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2JvU-QB0De4 Hartman Santa: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WDeDYko00sq Hartman Gingerbread Man: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UT0_Kb-H7Q4 Hartman Dance and freeze: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dn8oDReDFn4 Boom Chicka Boom Christmas: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a-Nhyg8Lngs Learning Station: Comin Down the Chimney https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vcIk-5tbWtQ

This list is meant to be used for items intended to be SHARED such as for celebrations/special events

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables are ok No soy beans, edamame, peas or lentils No hummus No pineapple, strawberries, coconut

Chips/Pretzels/Popcorn

Wise Kettle chips (certain flavors - read label)

Wise Popcorn – butter and white cheddar variety (white cheddar contains milk product)

Frito Lays Chips & Frito Lays Simply products (certain flavors – read label)

Skinny Pop Pirates Booty Rold Gold pretzels Goldfish pretzels Utz chips – (certain flavors - read label) Annie's Organic Sensible Portions Veggie Straws (sea salt only) Orville Redenbacker microwave popcorn (no cheese flavors)

Crackers

Goldfish Annie's organic Cheez – its Ritz Crackers Wheat Thins Made Good Honey Maid honey graham crackers

Cookies

Oreos – original and original double stuff (blue packaging) Teddy Grahams Nilla Wafers Lofthouse School Safe (additional items include cupcakes) Annie's Organic Barnum Animal crackers Zee Zees **(no sunflower seeds/ no coconut products)** Rice Krispie Treats – prepackaged; not homemade Made Good Enjoy Life (various types) gingerbread

Candy/Treats

Dum Dums Charms Smarties Tootsie Rolls/Tootsie Pops Campfire Marshmallows Welch's Fruit Snacks Yum Earth gummies and candies Free2b Enjoy Life chocolates York Peppermint Patties Life Savers Haribo Gummy Bears Spangler Candy Canes

Frozen Treats (NO PINEAPPLE/COCONUT/STRAWBERRY or DAIRY)

Popsicle Brand Ices Luigi's Philly Swirl Outshine DeeBee's Organics

Pizza – (NO PESTO – NO DESSERTS) cheese or cheese and pepperoni;

original crust

Papa John's

Dominos

Endzone (local in Forest Lakes Shopping Center)

May need to consider gluten and cheese free options dependent on class

Drinks - reminder to avoid certain fruit flavors Juicy juice Apple and Eve (no fruit punch/strawberry)

Honest Kids - berry lemonade flavor

Swiss Miss hot chocolate (no marshmallows and there is a dairy free option as well)

Brands - Multiple Products

ENjoy Life Made Good Vermont Nut Free Yum Earth Free2b

Holiday items that are free from most allergens

- Spangler's Candy Canes

- Swiss Miss hot chocolate (without marshmallows and consider a dairy free option as well)

- Campfire marshmallows

- Enjoy Life Brand gingerbread cookies

Please see the list at the end of this letter.