

Teacher's Message/Announcements

- Please send a clean mask with your child every day and a water bottle. Thank you.
- Please do **not send any nut products this year**. Thank you.
- December STEM Project: Ms. Grassi's Classes are in need of plastic straws, small wiggly eyes, brown pipe cleaners. Please send in by December 8th. Thank you!
- Important upcoming dates:
 - Dec. 6th - Blue and Gold Day
 - Dec. 7th - Confession
 - Dec. 8th - Mass (Students must be in formal dress)
 - Dec 10th - No Mass
 - Dec. 13th-16th - St. Nick's Shop
 - Dec. 16th - Tacky Sweater Day
 - Dec. 17th 11:30 Dismissal
 - Dec 18- Jan 2nd - Christmas Break
 - Jan 3rd - Return to School
- Uniform reminder - Please make sure if your child is wearing a polo and pants that they can tuck their polo in and that they are wearing a belt.
- Dear Parents,
I am scheduled for back surgery in January. Mr. Jones will be my substitute beginning the tenth of January. He is a wonderful teacher and I feel very fortunate to have him as a substitute. He will have my lesson plans to follow while I'm away. I would appreciate your prayers for a fast recovery and look forward to coming back as quickly as possible. Thank you so much for your support and love.
God Bless,
Ms. Grassi
- Contact us:
 - Ms. Grassi - k.grassi-mikell@cvillecatholic.org

English Language Arts

This week we wrapped up verbs, on Thursday a study guide came home in homework folders. The test will be on Thursday, Dec. 9th. In handwriting, we began with capital cursive letters. In reading we are reviewing the comprehension strategy of going back to the text to look for answers with some Christmas around the World reading. In writing, we worked on writing a short story from a prompt.

Next week we will continue with capital letters and our Christmas around the World readings. We will be reviewing for our verbs test on Thursday. In writing the students will be working on a persuasive Christmas writing, they will get to choose which “case” to take to write their persuasive story on.

Religion

This week the students started our dive into Advent. We have been doing our daily devotional, learning about different cultures and how they celebrate Christmas. We also began our Jesse Trees and Advent foldables that we will continue to build to teach us all about Advent. We also let mass this week and did a phenomenal job.

Next week we will be continuing on with all things Advent. Students will also have the opportunity to receive the sacrament of confession on Tuesday (if they have already received their first) and all students will be able to participate in adoration.

Math

This week we are learning strategies for regrouping two and three digit numbers and will be introduced to inverse operations to check their answers. Students are also working on their basic addition fluency and accuracy. We will continue to review how to estimate sums by rounding our addends to the nearest ten and hundred.

Next week students will learn how to regroup four digit numbers, problem solving strategies, and count mixed coins with currency. We will estimate sums of three and four digit numbers using our mental math strategies. We are also practicing on our addition and subtraction fluency and students are welcome to use these websites at home.

- Websites: Addition and Subtraction fluency practice- go to www.mathtrainer.com, or <https://tangmath.com/numskill>
- Math Concepts and Skills Review and Practice- go to www.studyisland.com, their username and password are in their agenda.

Science

This week students will begin our Unit on Ecosystems by learning about different types of habitats and the corresponding vocabulary. We will discuss the parts of an ecosystem involving community, population, and habitat.

Next week we'll discover how living things survive in their ecosystems by using adaptations, and students will be introduced to the corresponding vocabulary. We will also review the parts of an ecosystem.

Social Studies

This week students will explore the Continent of Asia and three geographic features, which will include the Huang He River, the Gobi Desert, and the Himalayan Mountains. We will continue to work on adding to our passport project.

Next week we will discover the Continent of Europe and learn about the Alps ,Greece, the Italian Peninsula, and the Mediterranean Sea.