



**Charlottesville
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Friday Newsletter

4th Grade

December 6, 2024

Teacher's Message/Announcements:

Dear 4th Grade Families,

Welcome back! We had a great week in 4th grade and hope you did as well! It is hard to believe that we are already in December! This year is flying by and we are having a great time teaching these wonderful students. Thank you for all you do and please reach out to us if you have any questions. Have a fantastic weekend!

All the best,
4th Grade Team

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Important School Announcements

- 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 5:40PM and 5:55PM.** 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](#)

- The Village School will host their annual GEM (Girls Excelling in Math) tournament on Saturday, March 22. Girls in grades 4 through 8 may participate. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Mrs. DeVane at l.devane@cvillecatholic.org.
- **We will have Mass on Monday, December 9 for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** There is no Mass on Tuesday, December 10—students do not need to be in formal dress uniforms that day. We will have a prayer service for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Thursday, December 12 at 8:15AM.
- Every Advent and Lent, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered for CCS students, as well as Adoration, which is a special quiet time of reflection spent in front of the Blessed Sacrament. We're in need of some parent support to usher students from the confessionals (library/conference room) to the chapel. Especially during the student lunch time frame of 11:30-1, we need people present in the chapel. Please consider helping out in this special way by selecting slot(s) from [this sign up sheet](#).
- Join us on Tuesday, December 10 from 5:00 to 8:00pm for CCS Night at Chick-fil-a @ Barracks Rd! Just tell the cashier (in restaurant or drive thru) that you're with CCS Spirit Night and 15% of your net food purchase will be donated back to school. Mobile Orders count too – use code CCSPTO.
- We are excited to be hosting Coffee & Muffins at St. Thomas Aquinas 4 weekends this year (October 27, December 15, January 26, and April 6). In order to do this, we will need volunteers to both bake muffins and staff the table each of the Sundays (Middle School students can do either one, and may count the time for church or community service). Muffins will need to be delivered to school no later than 8:15AM on preceding Friday (for December 15, muffins will be due by Friday, December 13). If you would like to help, please [sign up here](#)—any CCS parent can volunteer to staff the CCS.
- 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).



Social Studies

This week in SS, students learned all about Jamestown! Our 4th graders were very engaged learning about the challenges of settling in the “New World”. We also learned about the “Lost Colony” and wrote about what may have happened to the people of Roanoke Island.

Next week, we will continue this unit. **The test for this unit is currently scheduled for Tuesday, December 17.**

Math

This week in Math, we continued to practice strategies for division and worked with remainders. The students have been very eager to learn division and have been having great discussions about the strategies we are learning. Next week we will be finishing up and reviewing for our test.

Our Math test is scheduled for next Friday (the 13th). This may be moved depending on the student 's needs.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week in LA, students put their thoughts about a variety of topics in writing! Students wrote about their Thanksgiving Break, their Natural Disaster Project, and a book report on a nonfiction book of choice. Their writing is getting better and better!

The 4th Grade Spelling Bee will take place on Monday, December 16. Students received a list of spelling words that may appear in the Spelling Bee this week.

Theology

This week in Theology, we discussed our tenant of the Month (Accepting) and students shared ideas of ways they can be accepting of others' differences. We also practiced our roles for Mass

on Monday. This is a Holy day of obligation and the class is very excited to get to participate in such a special Mass. We hope you can join us!

Science

This week in Science, we looked at earth's landforms and how they were made. We also discussed fossils and what they tell us about the earth's history. We will review what we have learned about next week.

Our Unit test will be Wednesday the 11th. Students have study guides to review over the weekend and the beginning of next week.