



**Charlottesville  
Catholic School**  
*Christ Community Scholars*

# Charlottesville Catholic School

## Friday Newsletter

December 9, 2022

## Kindergarten

### **Friday, December 16:**

*Tacky Sweater Day*

11:30AM Dismissal

**No Aftercare**

### **Thursday, December 15**

We are so very excited for this year's JK-5th grade Christmas concert. Ms. Wisbey and the students have been working hard and look forward to sharing Christmas joy with you all.

To help us prepare for a successful evening, please be mindful that parking and seating will be limited. We ask that families come together in one vehicle. Also, please know that the concert will be live-streamed for extended family to view. More details forthcoming.

We can't wait to see you all for the Christmas concert. Please follow these procedures for dropping off and picking up your child:

- Plan on arriving by 5:45 pm, so students can be in the classroom at 6 pm, ready to go.
- Students need to be in their "Christmas best". Please have them bring their water bottles.

- Parents can head straight to the gym for the concert.
- Feel free to look around the main hallway by the gym, as students have created artwork that goes with the songs we are singing during our art classes this semester.
- Once the concert is over, students will be taken back to their classrooms for pick up. Be sure to sign them out in their classroom.

Looking forward to sharing the Christmas joy through music and art!

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**

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.
- As cooler temperatures approach, 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.

## Important Dates

- 12/14 Christmas Concert
- 12/15 Gingerbread Party
- 12/16 11:30 Dismissal- Tacky Christmas sweater day, no aftercare
- 12/19 Christmas break  
1/3 School resumes
- 3/4 Father Daughter Dance

## Social Studies

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Students say prayers and the Pledge of Allegiance each day. Students are learning about Christmas traditions in other countries. Mr. Korinek spoke to students about Christmas traditions in Austria.

We will have a Gingerbread party on Thursday, December 15th from 1:30-3:00.

## Math

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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 on addition after Christmas.

## Language Arts/Reading/Writing

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The focus this week was on short o 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.

## Religion

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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 listen to a Bible story, color an ornament that represents the story, and hang it on their Jesse trees. We are also reading Luke chapter 2 each day. On Tuesday, students left paper shoes out in the hallway for Saint Nick to fill while middle schoolers read stories to classes.

## Science

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We are making lots of crafts related to our Christmas Around the World unit. This week we made several ornaments: Nativity, reindeer, and candy cane.

**<https://www.steamda.com/schoolyearprograms>**

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

## Other Information

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2022/2023 Student/Parent Handbook

<https://cvillecatholic.us11.list-manage.com/track/click?u=9b38293f7bcd2ecbc2bab7c88&id=a89cb5f427&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](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:

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

[Raz-Kids](#) 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:

<https://www.kidsa-z.com/shared/images/teacherCorner/learninga-z-parent-toolkit-english.pdf>

*Christmas carols with lyrics*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9aJXZR37ASo>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t-BcLKW1rQ0>

*Learning Station* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=roUflgT3EzE>

*Hartman Reindeer Hokey pokey*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=atVSapVNr18>

*Hartman December song*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XGwIXvG1fjQ>

*Hartman Holiday Dance*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Cg79KqD8q4>

*Hartman Christmas finger family:*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2JvU-QB0De4>

*Hartman Santa:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WDeDYko00sg>

*Hartman Gingerbread Man:*

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UT0\\_Kb-H7Q4](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-Nhyg8Lnqs>

*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 Redenbacher 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.