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Friday Newsletter

Middle School

Student Midterm exams will be held on Tuesday(12/13), Wednesday(12/14), and Thursday(12/15). Students will take 2 exams per day. A schedule has been discussed with your student. **Friday is an 11:30 dismissal. There will not be aftercare.**

We are planning a 6th grade service trip to Incarnation, on Friday, January 6th, in the afternoon, to help the church set up for PACEM guests that evening. We will need parent drivers. We ask for anyone that is available (and have filled out the proper paperwork with CCS) email [Anna Sisman](mailto:Anna.Sisman). Thank you, in advance, for volunteering.

Parent Volunteers Needed for Christmas Concert

We are in need of four or five parent volunteers to help with parking for the Christmas concert. Help will be needed on Wednesday, December 14, from 5:30 - 6:15. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lauren DeVane at l.devane@cvillecatholic.org. Thank you!

We can't wait to see you all for the Christmas concert. Music improv students and middle school chorus are required to participate unless something has been brought up and e-mailed to Ms. Wisbey at k.wisbey@cvillecatholic.org. Please follow these procedures for dropping off and picking up your middle schooler:

- Plan on arriving by 5:45 pm, so students can be in the classroom at 6 pm, ready to go. Middle schoolers for music improv and choir electives should meet in the music room.
- 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!

We have an exciting opportunity for our students interested in chorus! Charlottesville Catholic School may send representatives to participate in the all- district middle school chorus this year for the state of Virginia. There is space for 2 students for each voice part (soprano 1 and 2, alto 1 and 2, tenor 1 and 2, bass 1 and 2). The event will be on February 10th and 11th at Monticello High School. More information will be released soon! Please e-mail Ms. Wisbey at k.wisbey@cvillecatholic.org if this is something you are interested in doing. We will be rehearsing the music in our chorus class at school. Hope to hear from you soon!

Social Studies - r.hendrick@cvillecatholic.org

6th: This week the 6th graders finished their US Government unit and then began preparing for their midterm exam. They will take their history test on Tuesday 12/13.

7th: This week the 7th graders finished their unit on the causes of World War 2 and then began preparing for their midterm exam. They will take their history test on Wednesday 12/14.

8th: This week the 8th graders finished their Islam unit and then began preparing for their midterm exam. They will take their history test on Thursday 12/15.



Mathematics - j.garland@cvillecatholic.org & j.reid@cvillecatholic.org

Math 6 (Garland): Midterm exam reviews have been released and we are actively preparing for exams next week. This class's exam will be on Wednesday, December 14th.

Pre-Algebra (Garland): Midterm exam reviews have been released and we are actively preparing for exams next week. 8th Grade Pre-Algebra will be on Tuesday, December 13th. 7th Grade Pre-Algebra will have their exam on Thursday, December 15th. 6th Grade Pre-Algebra will have their exam on Wednesday, December 14th.

Geometry (Garland): Midterm exam reviews have been released and we are actively preparing for exams next week. The Geometry Exam will be on Tuesday, December 13th.

Math 7 (Reid): This past week the kids took their 2nd test of the 2nd Quarter on Decimals & Their Operations. After our test, we continued to work on preparing for next week's exam. The kids have had digital access to the exam review since before Thanksgiving and they were given a paper copy last week. The exam review packet was due this Friday and will be given back to the kids on Monday, December 12th after it has been graded. Sixth Grade Math 7 students will take their exam on Wednesday, December 14th. Seventh Grade Math 7 students will take their exam on Thursday, December 15th.

Algebra (Reid): This past week the kids took their 2nd test of the 2nd Quarter on Slope & Graphing Lines. The rest of the week we continued to prepare for our 1st semester Algebra 1 exam. The kids turned in their Algebra 1 Exam Review Packet on Friday, December 9th. They had digital access to this document before Thanksgiving and were given a paper copy last week. These will be returned to the kids on Monday, December 12th after they have been graded. Eighth Grade Algebra 1 students will take their exam on Tuesday, December 13th. Seventh Grade Algebra 1 students will take their exam on Thursday, December 15th.

Composition, Literature, and Language

Arts—e.kerrigan@cvillecatholic.org & l.lowdon@cvillecatholic.org

6th Grade Composition (Kerrigan): This week, students took their last vocabulary test before exams and completed their study guide for the exam, which is Tuesday. Monday will be used as a review day.

6th Grade Literature (Kerrigan): The literature exam is next Wednesday, and completion of the study guide, to be handed in at the time of the exam, is worth 5 extra credit points. The next IRA is due Jan. 10. Monday will be used as a review day.

7th Language Arts (Lowdon): We will review for exams next week. The exam for 7th grade will be administered on Wednesday. The second IRA for Quarter 2 is due January 6, 2023.

8th Language Arts (Lowdon): The Memoir Project is due on Monday! I am very excited to see what the students created. We will review for exams next week. The exam for 8th grade will be administered on Thursday. The second IRA for Quarter 2 is due January 6, 2023.

Religion—a.sisman@cvillecatholic.org

6th: This week, we wrapped a chapter on what it means to be human: being both body and soul, living in relationships, and the need to repair those relationships when sin damages them. Students also had the opportunity to go to confession on Tuesday, which coincided perfectly with our lessons! On January 6, 6th graders will be helping with the PACEM efforts at Church of the Incarnation. **Permission slips for the service trip on January 6 will go out next week. Please look out for these: we will need drivers!** Please keep in mind that service logs are due January 6 and encourage your child(ren) to reach out to those in need!

7th: This week, we wrapped up a chapter on the later letters of St. Paul and began midterm preparations. Please keep in mind that service logs are due January 6 and encourage your child(ren) to reach out to those in need!

8th: This week, we wrapped up a chapter on the Church during some troubling times of the 18th and 19th centuries and began midterm preparations. Please keep in mind that service logs are due January 6 and encourage your child(ren) to reach out to those in need!

Science—m.bruscia@cvillecatholic.org

6th: This week we discussed virus and bacteria and had conversations about the differences and similarities. Next week we will discuss the kingdom Protista and prepare for our midterms.

7th: This week we continued to understand chemistry and how elements bond and then named. We also experimented with the chemistry of fireworks and associated the periodic table with various reactions using the bunsen burner and the flame test. Next week we will start to discuss chemical reactions and how to balance equations before we take our midterms.

8th: This week we learned how to read maps and differentiate between different types of maps. We plotted earthquake epicenters and cities using triangulation and a compass. We learned the difference between latitude and longitude. Next week we will discuss topography maps before our midterm.

Spanish—j.osteen@cvillecatholic.org

This week the students worked on and presented their family tree projects! These projects worked on family vocabulary, describing people's appearances and personalities, describing what people do and things they like. The students did a lovely job and it was fun to learn more about their families, or see the silly families they made up! On Friday we reviewed for the midterm and we will spend Monday reviewing as well. The study guide has been up on Google Classroom since prior to Thanksgiving break so students are able to study from that as well.