



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

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Friday Newsletter

3rd Grade

02/16/24

Teacher's Message/Announcements

- Monday, February 19, school will be closed in observance of Presidents Day.
- **FIRST WEEK OF LENT—A SEASON FOR REFLECTION**
CRS Rice Bowls were distributed this week, the charitable Lenten program from Catholic Relief Services. Your alms given to this cause will help support the work of CRS in over 100 countries. Twenty-five percent of the donations collected via the Rice Bowls stay in our local Richmond Diocese, supporting hunger and poverty alleviation efforts. The other seventy-five percent will assist in CRS causes worldwide. Bowls will be collected at the end of Lent.

During this holy time, we are called to pause and pay closer attention to our relationship with God and our neighbors. Reflect on how the Lenten pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving can guide your journey and how the Eucharist helps us to live in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more and read this week's Story of Hope.

- **PLEASE NOTE** : Our field trip to Montcello is scheduled for March 15th, 2024. **Field trip permission letters will be sent in students Friday Folders on Friday, February 2nd . They need to be returned on Monday February 12th.** Chaperones /Drivers must be VIRTUS-trained. To register for that training, please use the following link: https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?the
- All adults who will be working with/supervising students (including chaperoning on field trips) need to be VIRTUS-trained. We will be holding another VIRTUS session on Saturday, February 24 from 9:00-12:00 at CCS. Please use the following link to sign up for this session: https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme=0
- **Approved List of Food Items for School Year 2023-2024**
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nRmcw0NIXsa4UXbokX_ZBqj7zkgEXnFS/view?usp=sharing

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Social Studies

This week students will complete their poster and present it to the class on Thursday and Monday.

Next week students will begin the unit on ancient civilizations. They will be introduced to Ancient Egypt and learn about the contributions to our present day. Students will explore geography, architecture, inventions, and written language.

Math

This week students will be introduced to the relationship between multiplication and division. They will be using the strategies of repeated addition, arrays, and models for solving multiplication problems.

Next week students will learn the properties of multiplication, and use problem solving techniques by reading charts and tables to make different combinations.

- MATH WEBSITES:
www.studyisland.com - use student username and password to access Study Island.
www.mathsisfun.com - for increasing addition/subtraction fluency and accuracy.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This Week:

Mardi Gras, Ash Wednesday, and Valentine's Day kept us busy all week. We worked on several reading and writing activities that highlighted these special days.

Next Week:

-Grammar:

-*Workbook - Review of Compound Sentences, Coordinating Conjunctions, Adjective, Verbs*

-*Mentor Sentence (Focus: No Sentence Next Week) - No Quiz*

-Old: Word Study (Spelling): R-Controlled Vowels (air, are, ear) - **Quiz - Wed 2/21**

-New: Word Study (Spelling): No New Words

-Featured Story: *Trombone Shorty* - (Focus: Autobiography) - **Continued - Quiz - Fri 2/23**

<https://www.tromboneshorty.com/books>

Learning Ally **The featured story for the week is available here and can be accessed at home**

-portal.learningally.org - An online library resource with Read Aloud/Audiobook options, similar to Epic, but can be accessed at home at no additional cost to you.

Username - For example - t.little@cvillecatholic.org or ti.little@cvillecatholic.org (Student email)

Password - For example - catholic1234 (catholic + last 4 of Student ID)

Theology

This Week:

With Bl. Carlo Acutis as our inspiration, we were creators this week, researching and designing posters around various Eucharistic miracles from around the world, making St. Valentine's day/prayer arts and crafts, and creating Mardi Gras masks.

Next Week:

3rd Grade will be leading Mass on Tuesday, 2/20! We will also be focusing our attention on Lent, thus, preparing for the great sacrifice that Jesus will make for us, growing closer to God, and asking him for forgiveness. Over the next several weeks, we will be completing activities that draw upon the Lenten disciplines of prayer, almsgiving, and fasting/abstinence.

Science

This week students will complete their Google Slides Project and will present on Thursday and Monday.

Next week students will begin their Matter Unit beginning with solids, liquids and gasses. They will identify the properties of matter and use descriptive words to explain the attributes of each object.