



Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

4th Grade

Good afternoon, 4th grade families! We had a wonderful week at school and hope you did as well! We are incredibly excited for our field trip next Tuesday to the Richmond Science Museum! Thank you for all your support and have a great weekend!

Announcements

- Please make sure that your child's uniforms fit properly and guidelines regarding hair, makeup, and jewelry are being followed. Additionally, it is imperative that your child comes to school in proper outerwear for recess. Coats, hats, and gloves are required for the winter months. We truly appreciate your support.
- Your child's attendance counts! We have officially entered our busiest time of year, and it is imperative that the kids are at school with us. **Thursday/Friday afternoons should not be missed from now until our Passion Play performance on April 6th.**
- As we have several students with peanut allergies in 4th grade, please be conscientious of them when packing snacks/lunches.
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Calendar/Important Dates:

- Monday, February 20- School will be closed in observance of Presidents Day
- February 21, 2023- Field Trip to Richmond Science Museum
- February 21, 2023- Mexican Fiesta Night from 5-7 pm
- February 22, 2023- Ash Wednesday (Formal Dress for Mass)
- March 4, 2023- Father/Daughter Dance from 6-8 pm in Cafeteria
- April 6, 2023- Passion Play

Social Studies

This week in Social Studies, students completed a project focused on the American Revolution. Students had the choice of either completing a flag/informative essay or a

persuasive letter to King George III himself! Students had a wonderful time and worked very hard on this project!

Next week we will begin chapter 6 which focuses on the aftermath of the American Revolution.

Math

This week in Math, students have learned how to use benchmark fractions to compare and order fractions, generate a common denominator to compare fractions, and have reviewed identifying/creating equivalent fractions and simplest form. We have enjoyed challenging but fun activities to reinforce factors and multiples, and our fraction knowledge.

The Ch. 8 Test is scheduled for Tuesday, February 28th.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week in Language Arts, students continued "Because of Winn Dixie" as well as a writing unit in which we focused on how to write realistic fiction stories. Students learned how to write interesting "leads", create a clear setting, and to draft their stories scene by scene. These stories are really coming together and I am blown away by the creativity of our students!

Next week, we will continue with our stories.

Religion

In Religion this week we took a quiz over Unit 3 Lesson 11. We had fruitful discussions about what it means to have human dignity and free will. We learned the meaning of true freedom, and what it means to acknowledge the rights and dignity of others who are also made in God's image. The Passion Play is in full swing. We're so proud of the kids for memorizing their lines, learning the songs, and remembering stage directions. It's going to be a great show!

***A look ahead:**

Scenes 8-11 memorized by Friday, February 24th

Science

In Science this week we took our test over Ch. 8- "Earth's Changing Surface". The kids loved learning about different types of fossils, and were able to compare/contrast various landforms. We learned more about the cause of volcanoes and earthquakes, and got to practice our research and independent study skills in preparation for the test. We look forward to starting Ch. 9 next week, which begins our weather and space studies. We are so excited for our field trip to the Science Museum of Virginia this Tuesday, 2/21. Please ensure the students are in their uniforms and bring a packed lunch in their normal

lunchbox. Don't forget to cancel any YAY lunch orders on this day that may have already been ordered.