



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

# Charlottesville Catholic School

## Friday Newsletter

### First Grade

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#### Upcoming Dates:

- **February 9** - National Children's Dental Health Month Dentist Visit, 12:30pm
- **February 13** - Valentine exchange, homerooms only
- **February 14** - Ash Wednesday Mass
- **February 16** - No School, Teacher Work Day
- **February 19** - No School, Presidents Day

#### Announcements:

**Catholic Schools Week in YOUR Parish!** Charlottesville Catholic School hopes to have a large presence in our local parishes for Catholic Schools Week weekend. Please consider signing your family up to serve in this capacity. Greeters, ushers, gift bearers, and hosts for our information tables are needed. We invite students, parents, grandparents – anyone with a love for our great school - to help. See the sign ups below.

[St. Thomas Aquinas \(February 3/4\)](#)

This spring at Charlottesville Catholic School we will be offering a variety of after-school clubs. Below you will find some information on the offerings. Each CCS staff-led club will cost \$175.00 per student. The cost will go towards supplies and compensation for teachers. Please read about the clubs below and contact the instructor directly if you are interested in signing up or have further questions. Payment for the clubs will be billed through FACTS.

[Spring 2024 Archangel Clubs](#)

Please know that we will be going outside even in the very cold winter months. Our girls can wear navy tights or capris to keep them warm outside. Of course, pants and polos are also a

good option. Bare skin on frigid days is a concern. Please help us by helping your child on days they wear a jumper. Thank you!

Even though the weather is colder, we will continue to get the students outside for recess as often as possible. Please make sure your child has the outerwear needed so that they can participate in recess. Below are the guidelines we follow:

- Students should stay inside if the wind-chill factor is below 25°F.
- If the wind-chill is in the 30s, students should have a coat (not a sweatshirt) and it should be encouraged that their heads are covered (hat or cinched coat/sweatshirt hood).
- If the wind-chill is in the 40s, students should at least have a sweatshirt on.
- **Students who do not have the proper outerwear will sit in the front office for recess.**

## Social Studies

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This week we learned about the history behind the legend of Groundhogs Day.

## Math

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This week we continued working on place value. We practiced skip counting by 2s and 5s and reviewed determining the value of a digit in numbers up to 120, as well as how to represent numbers up to 120 in a variety of forms. Next week we will complete our unit on place value and begin a unit on geometry and fractions.

## Language Arts/Reading/Writing

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### Reading

This week we read *The Darkest Dark*. We used this autobiography to help us discuss the author's purpose. We learned that an author can write text to persuade, inform, or entertain us. Next week we will read *The Big Bed* by Bunmi Laditan. We will also learn about point of view.

### Grammar

This week we focused on reviewing what we have learned about writing sentences. We worked on making sure we had capitals and the correct punctuation for all different sentences. Next week we will learn about articles.

### Writing

Writing activities in our Daily 5 rotations such as journal/story writing and dictation of sentences continued as well.

## Theology

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In Theology, students participated in their own first grade Catholic Bee and we are so impressed with all the knowledge they've retained this year! Next week, we will talk about the feast of St. Valentine and will spread some love to our classmates. We will, also, begin preparing for the season of Lent.

# Science

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This week we learned about the groundhog.

## Other Information

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### **Colder Weather is here!**

Please make sure that your child brings something warm and long sleeve to school each day (e.g., jacket, sweatshirt, sweater). We will continue to go outside, weather permitting, for recess, lunch, and snack as much as we can.

### **Winter Dress**

This means we are no longer wearing shorts and ankle socks. Girls must also be in navy knee highs, navy leggings, or navy tights. Please have your child try on their uniform pants to make sure that they fit, and place orders soon, as FlynnO'Hara has been running into distribution and shipping delays.

### **Snack (8:45/9:00)/ Lunch (11:50)**

Please include a snack with your child's lunch everyday along with a filled spill proof water bottle. Please be mindful of the food that you are packing. Our first grade classrooms are nut free, so double check labels. Nuts are okay to bring into the cafeteria for lunch time this year!

### **Specials Schedule**

Monday - Art and Music    Tuesday - Library & Mass    Wednesday - P.E.

Thursday-Library    Friday - Music

### **Dress Uniform**

Boys - Blue pants, white dress shirt, CCS tie/bowtie, black school shoes, and blue or black socks  
NO white.

Girls- Plaid jumper, solid dark shorts underneath, white peter pan collared shirt, navy knee socks NO white or black knee socks, and black school shoes.

### **Homework (M-TH)**

**Math-** Math Spiral Review #16

**Reading-** Read for 15 min./night. Please record the title of the book that was read each night. FOR FUN! Reading February Challenge :) See how many you can complete.

**ELA-** ELA Spiral Review #16

**Religion-** Practice Our Father Prayer