

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

February 24, 2023

Kindergarten

Kindergarten had an exciting week! Students enjoyed sorting coins and buying items in our kindergarten store. Students love spending time with their middle school faith buddies and book buddies.

Please send a small box by Thursday, March 16 to build a Leprechaun trap. Please send a well rinsed 64 ounce or larger milk or juice carton by Monday, April 3. Please send in 12 plastic eggs filled with small prizes such as stickers or small toys by Monday, April 3. (The eggs will be put in a community pile and redistributed among classmates- your child will not take home the same eggs that he or she brought.)

We will have kindergarten homework in March and April.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions or comments. The best way to reach us is by email.

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Units

March: Dr. Seuss' birthday, Lent, Saint Patrick's Day, Spring, wind

- 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.

Important Dates

- 3/3 Blue & Gold Day
- 3/4 Father Daughter Dance
- 3/24 School Closed Student//Teacher Holiday
- 3/27 School Closed Teacher Work Day
- 4/3 Spring dress begins
- 4/6 4/14 Easter Break
- 4/21 Blue and Gold Day
- 4/29 Gala Auction
- 5/5 Blue and Gold Day
- 5-8 Book Fair and Art Show
- 5/12 Grandparents' Day, JK-5 Spring Concert, Spring Musical
- 5/26 11:30 Dismissal
- 5/29 School Closed for Memorial Day
- 6/2 Blue and Gold Day
- 6/7 Kindergarten Ceremony and last day for kindergarten

Social Studies

Students say prayers and the Pledge of Allegiance each day. We are learning about famous black Americans. We learned about George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

Math

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 finished subtraction. Please have your child practice counting by ones, fives, and tens to 100. We are into our unit on money(first) and time (second).

Please use everyday teachable moments to help reinforce these skills.

Math Practice at Home

Tell the time on a clock in your house to the hour or half hour.

Identify coins and count change.

Add or subtract items in your house or while shopping at the store.

Group and count objects in your house.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

We continued fluency passages. Each passage focuses on a particular word family, consonant blend, or digraph. Please have your child read these passages to you at home. 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.

Reading Practice at Home

Please let your child read a decodable reader (word family focused), or leveled reader book to you each night. We'd also encourage you to read to your child each night as well. The effect size for both is great.

Listen to a story.

Read at least one story or fluency passage to an adult each night.

Practice reading nonsense words or other cvc words.

Practice sight words.

Religion

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.

Science

Kindergarteners enjoyed creating an Abraham Lincoln puppet in the STEM Lab.

https://www.steamda.com/summer-experience

https://www.steamda.com/schoolyearprograms

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

Other Information

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:

Hartman Penguin dance: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uf0uKmKwnKs

Kids Worship: Psalm 23