

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

2nd Grade February 28, 2025

Calendar/Important Dates

Tuesday, March 4 - No Mass
Wednesday, March 5 - Mass, students wear formal dress, Ash Wednesday
Friday, March 7 - Blue & Gold Day
Thursday, March 13 - 11:30 am dismissal
Friday, March 14- No School, end of 3rd quarter
Monday, March 17 - No School, Teacher Work Day
Friday, March 21 - 3rd Quarter Report Cards

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*Please don't hesitate to reach out! We are excited to be your partners in your child's education!

If you have not yet, please send in

CLASSROOM REQUEST: With all the illnesses going around, we are running low. If you would please bring in this coming week: a box of tissues and a hand sanitizer for the classroom, we would appreciate it!

Mrs. Parker's class is running low on classroom glue sticks. If you would like to donate some to our class it would be greatly appreciated, thank you!

Important School Announcements

CCS will be holding a Virtus training session on Saturday, March 22 from 11:00AM to 3:00PM. If you plan to chaperone any spring field trips, you need to be VIRTUS-trained, so please consider signing up. You may register at this link: https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme=0

We are excited to 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 session. The cost will go towards supplies and compensation for teachers. Please read about the clubs below and contact the instructor if you are interested in signing up or have further questions. Payment for the classes will be through FACTS.

Winter 2025 Archangel Clubs

Math

Mrs. Parker's class continued the unit of measurement.

Mrs. Bryan's class-we will be finishing up our measurement unit this week and completing our unit review and unit test at the beginning of next week. We are so excited to begin our next unit-Money!

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

In Mrs. Parker's class, we read <u>Looking at Lincoln</u> by Myra Calman. We focused on the main purpose of the story.

In writing, we focused on writing personal narratives. We finished our Valentine's Day personal narratives about a time we felt loved. Please check your child's folder for their writing. We brainstormed, wrote rough drafts, edited and had a peer edit and then wrote our final drafts. They all did a really nice job! For black history month we finished our research on people who made influential contributions and the students presented their research in class. Next week, we will focus on opinion writing.

We continued our novel study on <u>The Mouse and the Motorcycle</u> by Beverly Cleary. We have been analyzing the characters and focusing on comprehension strategies.

In Mrs. Bryan's class, we are continuing to work on our classroom read-aloud *Willowdeen* by Katherine Applegate. Students are working on descriptive writing, what quotations look like and when to use in reading/writing, as well what it looks like to highlight a quote from a chapter. We finished our Valentine's descriptive stories.

We also enjoyed a fun creative writing assignment, writing a story from a picture with no other information given. Students then passed their paper to their table partner to edit. As a whole class, we reviewed how editing should be done, and we listened to each other's amazing stories!

We also finished our *Ranger in Time Long Road to Freedom* by Kate Messner as well as completed our comprehension packet that mapped out the story as we read aloud.

We have also enjoyed focusing on many historical figures during Black History Month reading many picture books:

Henry's Freedom Box, Sit-In, Fifty Cents and a Dream, An Apple for Harriet Tubman, and Float Like a Butterfly

We continued to work on grammar in our Voyages book as well as our packets working on many new grammar concepts, but mostly covering adverbs.

Theology

This week we started talking about lent and what it means.

Social Studies

We have continued working on our President's research papers. Amazing work! Those that need more work may be sent home this weekend to complete and turn in by Wednesday next week.

Science

Next week will be finishing up our unit on Matter!

Other Information

Snack (9:20/9:55)/ Lunch (11:30)

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 second 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 - Music

Tuesday - Library & Mass

Wednesday - Art, P.E, & Chapel

Thursday- Library

Friday - Music

Homework (M-TH)

Please check your child's blue folder for any homework. All homework will be written by your child in their agenda book each day.

Your child will have a reading response prompt and a math/writing homework sheet.

Please, no more than 25 minutes a night. Reading should be done every night!