



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

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## Friday Newsletter

### Junior Kindergarten

### February 7, 2025

#### **Teacher's Message/Announcements**

##### **Friday, February 14 will be Valentine's Day TAG Day.**

We will also wear red that day to celebrate Health Health Month and Wear Red Day. Students may wear a red shirt/sweatshirt for Wear Red Day; however, they **MUST** be in their uniform bottom (pants, skirts, or jumpers) and uniform shoes. Legging may **ONLY** be worn under a jumper (not alone).

- TAG Day items:
  - Allowed—socks, belts, earrings, necklaces, ribbons, bracelets, headbands with stabilized decor
  - Not allowed—hats, sunglasses, wigs, t-shirts, headbands with flying objects, anything flashing

In JK-5th grade, students may bring Valentines in for a Valentine Exchange next Friday. Teachers will notify you if the exchange is by grade or by class. As far as treats, please refer to the list of approved food items in FACTS; non-food treats are always a great option! Treats that are received will be sent home with students. ***Because of the sheer volume of treat items that will likely come in for Valentine's Day and likely not in their original packaging, the school nurse will NOT be checking each item. For that reason we will be sending everything home for parents to approve.***

**Faith in Action will be collecting items for the SPCA next week.** Please send in dog and cat items such as food, treats, puppy pads, etc.

#### **Immunization and School Entrance Health Forms**

Students enrolling in **Kindergarten** need to have a [Commonwealth of Virginia School Entrance Health form](#). Physicals, including updated immunizations, must have been **on or after August 20th, 2024**. Please **submit the entire document**. This form should not require an additional doctor's visit if they have been seen within this time frame. Many doctor's offices get busy over the summer with form requests, please ask for this as soon as possible. Your child **CAN NOT** attend school until these papers are provided and are reviewed by the school nurse. Feel free to start sending them in from now.

### **Upcoming Virtus Training Sessions**

CCS will be holding two Virtus training sessions 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 for one of these two sessions. You may register at this link: [https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg\\_list2.cfm?theme=0](https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme=0)

### **RESPIRATORY ILLNESSES - STREP - STOMACH BUG are visiting CCS!**

We are seeing it all!! Flu, Strep and GI bugs are on the rise. Please remember to keep your student(s) home until they meet the requirements to return; FEVER FREE for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications, as well as 24 hours free of GI symptoms including vomit and diarrhea.

Please remember to contact the school if your child will be absent. Sharing symptoms of your child's health is helpful for us to monitor current illnesses here at CCS and in the community.

### **CCS Spirit Day at the UVA vs. VT Women's Basketball Game**

On February 9, the UVA Women's basketball team will host Virginia Tech, and we have a great opportunity for Charlottesville Catholic School families to attend! UVA Athletics will be blocking off a "CCS" section. Discounted tickets to the game can be purchased using this link: <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Charlottesvillecatholic2>. Please note that tickets will be delivered electronically to your email address upon checkout.

### **Calendar/Important Dates**

- Monday, February 10: No School; parent/teacher conferences on an as needed basis
- Friday, February 14: 11:30 dismissal
- Monday, February 17: No school, Presidents Day

### **Teacher email addresses**

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## **Math**

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Ms. Wawner's Class continued to play with graphing this week. Students had fun flipping coins and graphing their heads/tails results. Some students have shown a special interest in graphing and have asked a question, created answer options and graphed their fellow classmates' answers! Our class also celebrated the 100th day of school this week by doing 100 exercises, counting 100 fruit loops, and doing 100 number puzzles. Ms. Shank's class finished our unit on ordinal numbers and began looking at math tools, (measurement, weight, temperature, time).

## **Language Arts/Reading/Writing**

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Ms. Wawner's class focused on the letter H this week. We read the story "Jennie's Hat" by Ezra Jack Keats and made our own unique hats. We started learning about syllables and will

continue playing with them next week, as well as reviewing all the letters and sounds we have learned thus far. Ms. Shank's class focused on the letter Oo this week. We made octopus for our alphabet notebook. In our reading groups we read poems that contained the sight words we are learning. Our next letter will be Pp. We will continue to work on our sight words we have learned so far. Our rainforest unit began this week with lots of non-fiction reading..

## Theology/SEL

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Ms. Wawner's class talked about self-love this week. We read the books "I Like Myself" and "Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon." We created a Garden of Greatness and each student created a flower that says some of their favorite things about themselves. Ms. Shank's class focused on Angels and our Guardian Angel.

## Science and Social Studies

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Ms. Wawner's class learned all about matter this week. We went on a matter scavenger hunt, created collages for each state of matter, and will make root beer floats on Friday to see the three states of matter in action. Ms. Shank's class began with our rainforest unit. The students were given the animal that they are going to research and had an opportunity to learn some things about that animal. We started learning about animal classification, how some animal characteristics are the same and some are different. We also made Blue Morpho Butterflies and Chameleon's for our 2 dimensional rainforest. We will continue learning about the Amazon Rainforest.