



**Charlottesville
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Christ Community Scholars

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Friday Newsletter

First Grade

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Upcoming Dates:

- **March 1&2** - Mary Poppins, Jr., 6:30pm
- **March 4** - No School, Teacher Work Day
- **March 7** - "Light My Path" Capital Campaign kickoff event, 5:30pm
- **March 18-23** - CCS Spirit Week
 - Monday - Decades dress
 - Tuesday - Crazy hats
 - Wednesday - Wacky clothes
 - Thursday - Cozy clothes (pajamas, sweatpants, sweatshirts)
 - Friday - All-Out Blue and Gold
- **March 21** - visit from Rockfish Wildlife Sanctuary
- **March 22** - End of 3rd Quarter
- **March 28** - Holy Thursday and 11:30am Dismissal
- **March 29 - April 7** - Easter Break

Announcements:

Serve & Pray: Join Us for Holy Comforter's Lenten Soup Supper!

Calling all CCS families! March 22nd, we are sponsoring Holy Comforter's Soup Supper following their 5:45pm Stations of the Cross. Lend a hand in making the evening a success! We invite you to volunteer and donate items as an act of almsgiving during this Lenten season. Sign-up using the [LINK](#) to participate! If you have any questions, please contact Megan Pearring at m.pearring@cvillecatholic.org.

THIRD WEEK OF LENT ~ CRS Rice Bowl Story of Hope
RAISING CHICKENS TO SUPPORT HER FAMILY

Nowadays, in Morazán, El Salvador, it is very difficult to know when the rainy or dry seasons will be. The unpredictable weather puts the livelihood of Sandra's family in jeopardy. Despite the

challenges, Sandra and her husband, Santos, remain dedicated to ensuring their children grow healthy and succeed in school. Learn how their strong family dynamic enabled Sandra to participate in a Catholic Relief Services' project on raising chickens and how her determination has helped her family and community. Visit crsricebowl.org to read this week's Story of Hope

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

This week we concluded our study of famous African Americans in history. We started our research for our projects and will begin our art project soon. We also learned about Leap Day and Leap Year and made a 2024 time capsule that will be sent home to be opened in 4 years.

Math

This week we concluded our unit on geometry and fractions. Next week we will begin our unit on measurement.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Reading

This week we read the book, "Little Red and the Very Hungry Lion," which is a reinterpretation of "Little Red Riding Hood." We discussed Folktales, specifically how they are stories that are passed down from generation to generation and that may include a moral lesson and/or a theme like good vs. evil or a character overcoming something. We also addressed story elements such as characters, setting, problem, and solution. An additional skill that was practiced was comparing and contrasting. We used a venn diagram to compare our main book of the week with the original version. Next week we will analyze the poetic elements of nursery rhymes. We will also utilize the book, "After The Fall," which explains what happened to Humpty Dumpty after he fell, to help us with plot and other story elements.

Grammar

Our focus this week was about Adverbs of Time that answer the question when (e.g., now, tomorrow, already, early, and today). We discussed how Adverbs are related to Verbs and thus reviewed "action" words as well. Next week we will learn about Conjunctions (joining words) such as and, but, or, and so.

Writing

There were several ways we wrote this week. We wrote about story elements (characters, setting, problem and solution, themes) found in our folktales. We also practiced the skill of comparing and contrasting and incorporated adverbs into our writing during various types of activities. We also had many writing opportunities across content areas including sentence dictation, spelling, written responses in science and math, and addressing new vocabulary. Writing activities in our Daily 5 rotations such as journal/story writing continued as well.

Theology

In Theology, we continued our unit on prayer by learning about the 4 types of prayer - ACTS (adoration, confession, thanksgiving, and supplication). We, also, examined the Our Father for the meaning of words we might not already know and read the story of the Sermon on the Mount, where Jesus asked us to pray this special prayer. We finished the week by participating in the Stations of the Cross and students practiced leading the prayers at each station.

Science

This week we focused on social studies.

Other Information

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 #22

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 #22

Religion- Practice Glory Be