

# Charlottesville School

Friday Newsletter

# Junior Kindergarten March 1st, 2024

#### **Emails**

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#### **Calendar/Important Dates**

March 4th: School Closed; teacher workday March 22nd: 11:30 dismissal; end of 3rd quarter

March 28th: 11:30 dismissal

March 29th-April 5th: Easter Break

#### Science/Social Studies

Ms. Wawner's class had fun experimenting with matter this week and how it can change into different states. Students were given a challenge to see which team could melt their ice cube the fastest using different materials. Students used salt, cloth, warm water and their hands to melt their ice. We also experimented with candy to see which candy melts in warm water and which one keeps its shape. Students found out that chocolate and gummy bears are extremely meltable, while jelly beans are not. We will start a short unit chemistry next week. Ms. Shank's class finished our rainforest unit. In honor of Black History month the students learned about Martin Luther King Jr. and made Kente cloth. We will begin a unit on community helpers and maps for the next 2 weeks.

#### Math

Ms. Wawner's class continued our study of measurement by focusing on weight this week. We had fun weighing ourselves on a scale. We used balance scales to determine which objects were heavier and which were lighter. Next week, we will learn about capacity. Ms. Shank's class continued our work on graphing which will take us through at least next week.

## Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Ms. Wawner's class played with rhyme this week through our phonic exercises, different stories from Dr. Seuss and making our own rhyming lists. We will continue to play with rhyme next week. We also practiced the letter Jj and reviewed our sight words. Next week, we will focus on the letter Qq and the sight word "is." Ms. Shank's class continued reviewing syllables. We started a discussion about what is a question and what is a statement. That will continue. We will begin focusing on story elements, (character, setting, problem, solution). Our letter will be Ww. Our story will be "What Has This Tail" and a review of our sight words "This and Has".

## **Theology**

Ms. Shank's class studied "Who is Jesus" and talked about Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist. We also talked about what baptism means. The students learned about how to practice the Stations of the Cross. Next week we will look at Jesus' life and the miracles he performed followed by the Easter story.

Ms. Wawner's class also learned about Jesus and focused on how we can love our enemies. Students are learning about the stations of the cross with the help of their 8th grade faith buddies.

## Other News and Reminders

- Mary Poppins, Jr. at CCS! Charlottesville Catholic School's production of Disney and Cameron Mackintosh's "Mary Poppins, Jr." will take place on Friday, March 1 and Saturday, March 2 at 6:30PM in the school gym. "Step in Time" and join us for this "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious" "Jolly Holiday" with Mary Poppins, Bert, and the Banks family! Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased online at <a href="https://events.cvillecatholic.org/mary-poppins-jr/">https://events.cvillecatholic.org/mary-poppins-jr/</a>
- Please join us on Thursday, March 7 at 5:30PM in the gym for our "Light My Path" Capital Campaign kickoff event! Wine and light refreshments will be served, and childcare will be provided for school-aged children (please note that because middle school children will be staffing childcare, we are unable to accept children under 4 years of age). RSVPs are required for this event. If you plan on attending, please click the link below. RSVP to Capital Campaign Kickoff
- 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 <a href="mailto:crsricebowl.org">crsricebowl.org</a> to read this week's Story of Hope