



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

# Charlottesville Catholic School

## Friday Newsletter

3-17-2023

### 3rd Grade

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

- **Camp4Real Kids Night Out is Tonight, March 17!** We are excited to welcome Camp4Real to Charlottesville Catholic School to host an awesome Kids Night Out event for our school community!
  - **Kids Night Out is a three-hour drop-off event** that gives parents and caregivers the opportunity to have a night out while children enjoy a safe and exciting evening of active and engaging fun with their peers -- with a delicious catered dinner included!
  - **Camp4Real events are led by Camp4Real founder and experienced physical educator, Scott Williams (AKA Mr. Dubs!), and he will be joined by our own Andrew Frazier!** The Camp4Real team is passionate about engaging children and families in fun, active play while incorporating dynamic education on the fundamentals of nutrition and movement for a healthy lifestyle.
  - **Family fun with an impact!**  
Camp4Real is proud to support the CCS community and will donate a portion of the event proceeds right back to our school!  
Plus, Camp4Real offers sibling discounts!  
**Learn more and register here:** <https://camp4real.regfox.com/3-17-23-kno>  
**Learn more about Camp4Real here:** [Camp4Real - Home | Real Fun. Real Food. Read Active. Real Awesome.](#)
- **Fourth Week of Lent (3/13-3/17) - Sharing Success**  
Most people in Turkana, Kenya raise livestock, and a few are farmers. But the hot and dry climate makes this work difficult—and climate change is making it even harder. Rebecca and Lotiang participated in a Catholic Relief Services program that installed a water well and taught them new farming techniques. They can support their family with their crops and are teaching others in their community what they learned. How can you use your skills and knowledge to help others? Visit [csrricebowl.org](http://csrricebowl.org) to learn more.

- March 24-School Closed (End of Q3)
- March 27th- No school, Teacher Work Day
- **Field Trip**  
Third Grade Field Trip: Monticello - **May 17**. We will be leaving CCS at 8:20 am and returning at 2:45pm
- **Virtus Training (Volunteers)**  
Just a reminder - If you are planning on driving and/or would like to volunteer for any school and student activities, you must receive prior training. You may register at [https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg\\_list2.cfm?theme=0](https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme=0)
- **Approved List of Food Items for School Year 2022-2023**  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1HjgF59yh1nnTDitj7-o9xBbmia9KWB3S/view?usp=sharing>

### **Teacher email addresses:**

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## Science

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**This week** students are completing their project on vertebrates and invertebrates.

**Next week** students will present their project, and will be introduced to earth's place in the solar system. They will learn about what causes the seasons, and how the moon interacts with the earth.

## Social Studies

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**This week** students completed their presentations on their Ancient Egypt projects. They were introduced to our next unit on Ancient China. Please read the Parent Newsletter about our Ancient China Unit in their Friday Folder.

**Next week** students will locate Ancient China on a map and learn about its contributions, such as written language, architecture, and inventions.

## Math

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**This week** students learned multiplication by using arrays, repeated addition, and the commutative property of multiplication.

**Next week** we will continue to learn strategies and vocabulary for multiplication. They will work on a problem solving investigation activity by using a table to organize the information in the word problem.

### **Websites:**

- **Username and passwords are located in students' agenda for Study Island.**
- **StudyIsland.com; they can practice Time and Money**

- Math Trainer- addition, subtraction .multiplication Fluency Practice : no username or password is required.

## Language Arts/Writing

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### **This Week:**

- Daily Grammar Review: Reviewed past skills
- Word Study: Suffixes **-ed, -ing** (filled, kicked, writing, shopping)
- Suffixes: Intro - **ive**, Review - ful, ment, sub, ness, y, mis, able/ible, ion, er, est, ly, ing, e/es, ed
- Prefixes: Intro - **fore**, Review - un, re, pre, dis, mis
- Writing - Opinion Writing (OREO Strategy - Opinion, Reason, Explain, Opinion)

### **Homework:**

- Word Study (M-Th) - 10 min. Students do not need to turn anything in.

### **Next Week:**

- Daily Grammar Review: Review past Skills - **No Quiz this Week**
- Word Study: **Irregular Plurals (cacti, deer, cities)** - **Quiz on Th 3/23**
- Suffixes: Intro - **less**, Review - ive, ful, ment, sub, ness, y, mis, able/ible, ion, er, est, ly
- Prefixes: Intro - **de**, Review - fore, inter, un, re, pre, dis, mis
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## Reading

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### **This Week:**

- Featured Story: Novel Studies/Book Clubs (The Magic Finger, The Wind in the Willows, Frindle)
- Focus Skills: Story Structure/Elements, Main Idea, Summarizing, Theme

### **Next Week:**

- Continuing Novel Studies/Book Clubs (The Magic Finger, The Wind in the Willows, Frindle)
- Focus Skills: Story Structure/Elements, Main Idea, Summarizing, Theme
- Over the next few weeks, we will complete various activities and have group discussions based on your child's assigned book. Students will be given time in class to complete their assigned readings.

Learning Ally (Novel Study books - Meant more for catch up and rereading - not to read ahead)

-read.learningally.org - An online library resource with Read Aloud Book options, similar to Epic, but can be accessed at home at no additional cost to you.

Username - For example - t.little@cvillecatholic.org or ti.little@cvillecatholic.org (Student email)

Password - For example - catholic1234 (catholic + last 4 of Student ID)

### **Not Homework but Recommended:**

Nightly Reading (M-Th) - Approximately 20 min. Students should indicate the number of minutes read each night/week in their planner.

## Religion

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### **This Week:**

We continued our focus around Lent, completed activities that explored the significance of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving during this time, discussed how the church welcomes all of us through The Sacraments of Christian Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation), and learned how the Holy Spirit places a spiritual mark on our souls, connecting us to God forever. We also celebrated the feast of St Patrick, learned about his life and mission through his own personal Confession, videos, and other activities. We also explored the relationship between the shamrock and the Holy Trinity (God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit).

**Next Week:** As we move into the Fifth week of Lent, we will watch videos, read/discuss from our workbook, and complete activities that help us to build our relationship with God and to help us connect with the sacrifice that Jesus made for us and the joy that will come because of it on Easter. We will also begin planning for 3rd Grade's final Mass duties for the school year. On **March 28**, Ms. Grassi's homeroom will be in charge of leading the mass.