

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

Junior Kindergarten March 23, 2023

Calendar/Important Dates

Friday, March 24 & 27: School Closed

Thursday, April 6th: Passion play put on by the 4th graders, dismissal at 11:30, no

aftercare

April 7-16: Easter break

Monday, April 17th: School resumes Friday, April 21: Blue and Gold Day Thursday, May 4th: May Crowning

Friday, May 12: Grandparents Day, JK-5 Spring concert, and the musical Aladdin.

Math

Ms. Wawner's class continued a study of time this week, by breaking up the day into morning, afternoon, and evening and talking about what we normally do during those hours. Students had fun playing charades and guessing the activity and time. We introduced clocks and the hour hand and practiced telling time on the hour. We also checked in every hour during the day to take note of what activities we were doing and wrote our hourly schedule as a class. Ms. Shank's class reviewed graphing. We focused on two questions this week, the color of our eyes and our birthdays. We created a chart and I introduced tally marks to the students. We talked about grouping them by 5s so it makes it easier to count. Next week we will review patterns.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Ms. Wawner's class reviewed the sight words and letters we have learned thus far through large group and partner activities. We learned about question words and the difference between a statement and a question. Students had the opportunity to interview Ms. P as well as other students, asking various questions and sharing out with the class. Students also practiced writing their numbers 0-9. Ms. Shank's class read lots of books about Spring and changes we see in our environment during spring. We will continue that discussion next week. We finished our formal handwriting and will be focusing on writing numbers. We have practiced this all year

but will be focusing on how to correctly form the numbers. We continue to work on sentences, (what makes a sentence, punctuation, and what is the difference between a statement and a question). In written expression students continue to draw pictures and dictate sentences. Next week we will be reviewing our sight words learned so far.

Religion

Ms. Shank and Ms. Wawner's classes focused on John the Baptist and the baptism of Jesus. We also participated in Adoration in our Chapel on Wednesday. We talked about the word adore and its meaning. We also talked about how the monstrance holds the body of Christ and how the wafer is transformed into the body of Christ during Mass.

Science

Both Ms. Wawner and Ms. Shank's classes continued a weather study this week. Ms. Wawner's class learned about rain and the water cycle. We made rain gauges to measure rainfall and will continue to check measurements throughout next week. We also talked about different sounds and types of rain and made rain sticks to mimic the sounds. Ms. Shank's class continued our weather study by learning about what makes wind. The children are then going to make windsocks. Next week we are going to learn about what makes a rainbow and create our own rainbow. We have incorporated our cloud knowledge into our daily weather report.