



# Charlottesville Catholic School

## Friday Newsletter

March 31, 2023

### 2nd Grade

Dear Rainbow Cheetah and Silly Sloth families,

Field Trip Fiesta! Our adventure today had a little something for everyone...service, music, nature, science, and math!

We adored our time with the residents of Parkview Senior Living. It was such a treat to share our love of music and service. The look of pure joy on the faces of the residents will be imprinted on our hearts forever! We joined forces with Kindergarten to sing *Bluebird, Bluebird; You Are My Sunshine; This Land is Your Land; He's Got the Whole World; Oh, I Love My Family; What a Wonderful World*, and *Love, Love, Love*. Following our musical extravaganza, we delivered handwritten cards, colored with, and spent time talking to the amazing seniors at Parkview!

No field trip is complete without an off-campus meal, and Darden Towe Park did not disappoint as a picnic location! What a wonderful place to "lunch" and play together!

Kindergarten and Second Grade joined "forces" once again to practice addition while testing out friction and forces on the links of Putt Putt! Next stop? The Masters! :)

God bless,  
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#### **Calendar**

3/31 - Field Trip to Our Lady of Peace and Putt Putt

4/3 - Spring Dress Begins

4/4 - 2nd Grade Mass

4/5 - Math Test (3-digit Subtraction With and Without Regrouping)

4/5 - Grammar Test (Verbs)  
4/5 - Economics Quiz  
4/6 - Holy Thursday, Passion Play, 11:30 Dismissal (No After-Care)  
4/7-4/16 - Easter Break  
4/21 - Blue and Gold Day  
4/27 - Second grade Trashion Show, 12:30-1:20 (time may change slightly)  
4/29 - Gala Auction  
5/2 - May Crowning  
5/12 - Grandparents' Day, JK-5 Spring Concert, Spring Musical  
5/26 - 11:30 Dismissal  
5/29 - No School  
6/2 - Blue and Gold Day  
6/8 - Last Day of School, 11:30 Dismissal

### **Announcements**

- No spelling instruction, homework, or test next week. We will resume on April 17, following Spring Break.
- Thank you to the dedicated drivers/professional putt putters who joined us on our field trip today!

## Math

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Homerun!! The Sloths and Cheetahs are knocking regrouping out of the park! From regrouping in the tens, hundreds, tens AND hundreds, and even across zeros, our sweet second graders are subtraction superheroes! We'll conclude this unit with a test next Wednesday, April 5.

When practicing at home, please utilize our tried and true rhymes to assist with the algorithm:

- More on the top, don't stop!
- More on the floor, go next door and get some more!
- Numbers the same? Zero's the game!

Cheer on your little math monster and support fact fluency practice daily! Thank you for joining us as your child's math coach, cheerleader, and teammate. Teamwork makes the dream work!

Marco! Polo! Join the mathematical fun on [SplashLearn.com](https://www.splashlearn.com). Warning...side effects of this fabulous and free digital resource may include enhanced fact fluency and math skills!

## Literacy

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The Sloths and Cheetahs flexed their grammar muscles as they explored strong and weak verbs (such as saw vs. seen, went vs. gone, did vs. done, ate vs. eaten, and gave vs. given), being verbs (am, is, are, was, were), and the helping verbs (has, have, am, is, are, was, were)

that typically tag along with weak verbs. When practicing at home, encourage your Sloth or Cheetah to say the sentence out loud to determine whether a strong or weak verb should be used. Next week, we'll conclude the verb unit with a test on Wednesday,

Check folders for spelling tests today! Reminder: No new instruction, homework, or test next week. We will resume on April 17, following Spring Break.

Make reading out of this world for your sweetie by reading to/with your Sloth/Cheetah several times per week, listening to your radiant reader read to YOU, and encouraging your cutie pie to read to siblings, loveys, and pets! Blast off with reading!

Our awesome authors penned creative fiction stories this week, using pre-writing strategies to bust writers' block and peer conferencing as part of the editing process. We love hearing the unique voices behind each writing piece!

## Religion

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We're thrilled to be leading Mass on April 4! The Sloths and Cheetahs are preparing for their roles at school, and will benefit from support at home, too, particularly if they are readers. We hope you will be able to join us!

## Science/Social Studies

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The final step in our Mini Golf Course Creation? Why, testing each hole and determining its par, of course! The Sloths and Cheetahs had a blast seeing their creation come to life! Spencer's Marvelous Mini Golf Course is on display near the nurse's office. Feel free to stop by to test your skills on our little links while examining our expertise in friction! Who knows...you may even catch a glimpse of Spencer the Stink Bug!

Econ! The Sloths and Cheetahs spent the week learning all about producers, consumers, supply, demand, scarcity, surplus, opportunity cost, and so much more! We'll conclude our unit with a quiz next week and an introduction to Alien Attack, a hands-on economics game where the Sloths and Cheetahs will use their knowledge to create and sustain a fictional civilization, all while navigating the crazy antics of the evil dictator, Mrs. Robinson!