

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

3rd Grade

03/08/24

Teacher's Message/Announcements

- **PLEASE NOTE :** Our field trip to Montcello is scheduled for **March 15th, 2024.**
All students will need to bring a packed lunch and a water bottle on March 15th.
 - Other Guidelines:
 - Bags and Backpacks. None exceeding 12 x 6 x 12 inches are allowed beyond the Shuttle Station. New security bag check stations are a good reason to ensure all prohibited items are left at home or on the bus. View a full list of our [Do's and Don'ts](#) before your visit to avoid delays at bag check stations.
 - In the House. Eating, drinking, chewing gum and using tobacco products are prohibited. Still photography, filming, and video recording for anything other than personal use are prohibited. Guests are urged not to touch or lean on walls or furnishings.
- Friday, **March 22** is the end of the 3rd quarter. Students will have an 11:30AM dismissal that day. STEAM Aftercare and JK Extended Day will both be in session.
- Thursday, **March 28** is an 11:30AM dismissal and begins Easter Break. JK Extended Day will NOT be offered that afternoon.
- **Gala Auction "Stock the Bar" Wall**
The *Wall of Wine* has been one of the most coveted auction items of galas past and this year the wall is growing to include all you'll need to fully STOCK YOUR BAR. The *Stock Your Bar Wall* will include 50 bottles of wine and spirits, mixers, and bar tools and we need your help to make this happen! Please drop off donations to the front office (you can also hand it off in carline and a teacher will ensure it gets somewhere safe). Thank you for your help!
- **Approved List of Food Items for School Year 2023-2024**
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nRmcw0NIXsa4UXbokX_ZBqj7zkgEXnFS/view?usp=sharing

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Social Studies

This week students will learn about the invention of Ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs, papyrus, and architecture.

Next week students will learn why water clocks and the calendar were invented. They will discover how they were used in ancient times. They will explore how the geography of Ancient Egypt had a big impact on its peoples lives and how Egypt has changed in size over time.

Math

This week students will learn about the relationship between multiplication and division. They will be introduced to the vocabulary associated with the process of division.

Next week students will use strategies such as drawing models, multiples, numbers lines, and repeated subtraction to solve division problems. They will also learn how to use inverse operation and fact families for multiplication and division.

- MATH WEBSITES:
www.studyisland.com - use student username and password to access Study Island.
www.mathsisfun.com - for increasing addition/subtraction fluency and accuracy.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This Week:

We were all excited to begin our novel study on Stone Fox. This is a very exciting and moving book, which I think will grab everyone's attention. We will be busy over the next couple of weeks reading and discussing the book, as well as completing a variety of different activities that will focus on vocabulary and story elements (characters, setting, plot, and theme), and text structures (e.g., cause and effect, sequencing, problem and solution, and compare/contrast).

Next Week:

-Grammar:

-*Workbook - Section 6-Adverbs and Conjunctions, Quotations/Dialogue (pp. 116, 164)*

-*Mentor Sentence (Focus: Sentence Structure, Adverbs) - Quiz - Tues 3/12*

Henry's Freedom Box <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=69sKKRw4nvk>

When he wiped away his tears, Nancy, too, was gone.

-*Mentor Sentence (Focus: Adverbs, Quotation/Dialogue) - Quiz - Wed 3/20*

Trouble with Trolls

"I really need those boots," I said reassuringly to the twins.

-Old: Word Study (Spelling): R-Controlled Vowels (Review) - Quiz - Wed 3/13

-New: Word Study (Spelling): Short oo(book), Long oo(room) Vowel Teams - Assigned on Wed 3/13

-Featured Story: *Stone Fox* - (Whole Group Novel Study) - Test - Fri 3/22

Students will complete all readings and work in the classroom

Learning Ally The Novel (Stone Fox) is available here and can be accessed at home to support your child's needs (e.g., catch up because of an absence/missed time). However, your child should not read ahead. Please reach out if there are any questions about reading expectations. -portal.learningally.org - An online library resource with Read Aloud/Audiobook 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)

Theology

This Week:

We continued focusing our attention on Lent, thus, preparing for the great sacrifice that Jesus will make for us, growing closer to God, and asking him for forgiveness. We completed activities that draw upon the Lenten disciplines of prayer, almsgiving, and fasting/abstinence. We also learned how we can celebrate Jesus' forgiveness and healing in the Church through the sacraments of Penance and Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick.

Next Week:

Continued from last week, we will be working through our Theology of the Body curriculum (Lesson 3 - Sin Distorts the Gift). Students will learn that sin is a failure to love, will recognize that sin distorts our ability to recognize the gifts of God, and will identify ways to reconcile relationships between people and God. We will also be learning about St. Patrick and working in our Christ In Us workbook (Lesson 10 - How are we strengthened for service to God and others?). - [Quiz - Fri 3/15](#)

Science

This week students will learn about the physical properties of solids, liquids, and gas. They will also begin learning vocabulary associated with our matter unit.

Next week students will learn about the properties of mass, volume, and density through our experiments. They will discover how heat energy can change the phases of matter.

Matter Experiments- donations needed for our experiments:

- **Two 16 oz boxes of cornstarch**
- **Green food coloring- two 16oz bottles**
- **Forty-six small paper cups, and Sprite- 6 liter bottles**
- **Raisins - 2 containers (13oz) ,and an Alka Seltzer-box of 72 count Thank You!**