

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

4th Grade April 26, 2024

Dear 4th Grade Families,

Good afternoon! We had a wonderful week in 4th grade and hope you did as well! We are very excited for our upcoming trip to Richmond this Monday! Please reach out with any questions and have your child here on time that day. As always, thank you for your support and have a wonderful weekend!

All the best, 4th Grade Team

Announcements

- Save the Date! Our annual Grandparents and Great Friends Day will be held on Friday, May 10, 2024. Students in JK-5th are encouraged to invite their grandparents or another special visitor to join them at school that day. There will be 2 sessions for visits–JK through 2nd grade at 8:45AM (check-in from 8:30AM-8:45AM), and 3rd through 5th grades at 10:45AM (check-in between 10:30AM and 10:45AM). Those visiting multiple students are welcome to attend both sessions. Please fill out this RSVP form no later than Friday, May 3 so that we can properly plan for the day.
- Mrs. Devlin needs help mounting, labeling and hanging student art for our annual All CCS Art Show. Prep work begins now and the show will be hung Saturday, May 4th and Sunday, May 5th, The Open House will take place after school Wednesday, May 8th. Food and Beverages will be needed. Please see the SignUp Genius linked here to sign up: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B4EA9A82BA46-49042420-2024
- The Scholastic Book Fair is coming the Week of May 6-10!! It will be open during your child's usual Library class times, first for creating their Wish List and later for shopping. The Fair will also be open Wednesday evening during the Art Show Open House and Friday morning during Grandparents and

Great Friends Day. You are more than welcome to come and help your child shop, or if you would prefer to have your child shop on their own, you may set up an e-wallet for them. Details will be on the Scholastic Flyer that goes home next week. Scholastic also takes credit cards, checks and cash. Please consider signing up to help with the book fair. We need lots of hands to help make this event a success! Visit the Sign Up Genius here for available slots.

Important Dates

- Monday, April 29- Field Trip to Science Museum of Virginia
- Tuesday, May 7- No Mass (No formal dress)
- Tuesday, May 14- May Crowning

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Social Studies

This week in SS, students finished up our unit on the Reconstruction era. We learned about life after the Civil War and how the Industrial Revolution changed America. Students also learned about the Chapter 8 project that they will be completing next week. Students will become reporters and choose an event that we have covered throughout the last few units to research and write a newspaper article about!

Next week, students will continue this project. <u>We will present these projects on Friday, May 3</u>.

Science

This week in Science we dove into Ch. 9- "The Water Cycle." We learned how water evaporates from oceans, rivers and lakes to form clouds in the sky. Then, those clouds get heavy and rain, sleet, hail or snow falls back to the ground, starting the whole cycle over again! We explored how the water cycle and weather go hand in hand– things like tornadoes and hurricanes are all part of it. We kicked off a fun project this week called "My Life as a Drip". Each of us is becoming a drop of water and telling our story as we journey through the stages of the water cycle.

We will continue our projects, and the rest of Chapter 9 next week. We are especially looking forward to our trip to the Science Museum on Monday!

Our Ch. 9 test is scheduled for the week of May 6.

Math

We put on our Math hats this week to explore area and perimeter, and how to organize and interpret data on a line plot. We've reviewed the skills we've learned in Unit 13 including conversions between customary and metric units of length, weight, capacity, and time. We've enjoyed working together and sharing ideas to help each other make discoveries and further sharpen our skills.

Our Unit 13 Test is scheduled for Wednesday, May 1st.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week in LA, we continued our new novel *Some Places More Than Others*. This is a beautiful story about family and identity. Along with this novel study, students are also continuing to write essays about a variety of topics.

Next week, students will continue this work. We will also be looking at some poetry over the next couple of weeks as well.

Theology

This week, our focus has been on Unit 4 Lesson 16- "What is Prayer?" We've delved deep into the beautiful world of prayer, learning all about how we can listen and respond to God's call. Just like a good friend, prayer helps us connect with God, share our thoughts and feelings, and listen for his gentle whisper in our hearts. Our guide on this journey has been Moses. We've studied his life and the many ways he listened and responded to God's call. From the burning bush to leading the Israelites out of Egypt, Moses teaches us valuable lessons about faith and obedience. The kids enjoyed performing skits to showcase the different ways God presents himself and calls us to prayer. They also enjoyed meditative and contemplative opportunities for prayer, including prayer journaling.

Our Unit 4 Lesson 16 quiz is scheduled for Tuesday, April 30.



ART OPEN HOUSE

Charlottesville Catholic School Wednesday, May 8th from 4 to 6 p.m.



OPEN HOUSE DETAILS

Commence at 4 with musical performances by Ms. Wisbey's Middle School Music Improv Group and the Elementary Chorus Club.

Indulge in our reception while admiring over 1200 pieces of art chosen for this year's exhibition.

Engage in our enjoyable family art-making activities and contribute to our local Pediatric Cardiac Care unit with a donation. Our NJHS will oversee the free activities and donations.

CCS HAS ARTISTS WITH HEART

Change Kids' Health. Change the Future®.

"As my 4th heart surgery approaches later this year, I feel blessed and grateful for the CCS community. THANK YOU, CCS, for supporting Pediatric Cardiology at UVA Health Children's. Your donation helps kids like me live life and DREAM big!" - Olivia

