



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

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Friday Newsletter

Junior Kindergarten

April 4, 2025

Teacher's Message/Announcements

Spirit Week April 7-11

Student Council presents 2025 Spring Spirit Week! Show your school spirit and earn points for your Spirit Team by dressing up each day. ***Please read the guidelines for each day carefully:***

Monday, April 7 - Monochromatic Day

Students may dress in one solid color of their choice. No prints or patterns, no pajamas, no leggings. Sneakers or school shoes ONLY.

Tuesday, April 8 - Fun Tie Day

All students can wear any fun tie with your school formal dress uniform (yes, you may wear it to Mass). No ties that light up or make noise.

Wednesday, April 9 - College Day

Students may wear college-branded gear. Jeans, school pants, or college-branded sweatpants/pajama pants/shorts (school appropriate length); sweatshirts, t-shirts, accessories. No hats, no leggings. Sneakers or school shoes ONLY.

Thursday, April 10 - Beach Day

Students may wear their summer/beach gear: school-appropriate shorts (see the Dress Down guidelines in the Uniform Policy for appropriate short length), Hawaiian shirts, beachy t-shirts, sun dresses (no spaghetti straps), accessories (may include sunglasses, sunhats, leis, etc.). NO swimsuits may be worn at all. Sneakers or school shoes ONLY.

Friday, April 11 - Grade-Level Theme Day

JK will celebrate hat day, with students coming to school in their favorite hat.

Important Dates

Thursday, April 17: 11:30 dismissal

Friday, April 18-27: Easter Break

Friday, May 9: Grandparents & great friends day

Friday, May 23: Field Day and 11:30 dismissal

Monday, May 26: Memorial Day; School closed

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Math

Ms. Wawner's class continued to play with breaking apart and putting together numbers 2-10. We used manipulatives this week and practiced using number sentences. This is preparing students for starting a unit on addition and subtraction.

Ms. Shank's class continued our unit on addition, using manipulatives to show that two parts make a whole. We moved to adding larger numbers up to 20 with ten frames and manipulatives.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Ms. Wawner's class focused on the letter Vv this week. Students had fun using their bodies to make Vs and going on a V hunt in the classroom. We also continued our work on questions vs statements. Students are beginning to raise their hands and say I have a question or I have a statement or comment. We also learned the sight word "me." Next week we will focus on the letter Yy and the sight word "my." We have transitioned to using pencils when writing our letters and numbers as opposed to markers. We will continue to work on handwriting until the end of the year.

Ms. Shank's class began reviewing sight words as we prepare for kindergarten. We read books highlighting the words *and*, *look*, and *see*. We talked about how letters make words, and words make sentences. Using clues in pictures, and recognizing sight words, we read a sentence!

Theology/SEL

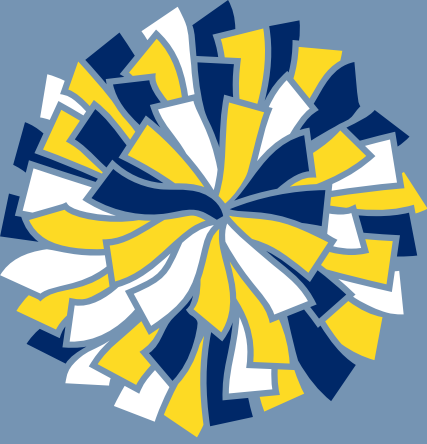
Ms. Wawner's class learned about the stations of the cross this week. We visited our Chapel to see them and walked our campus with the 8th graders to see and listen to how Jesus died on the cross for us. Next week, we will learn about Palm Sunday and The Last Supper.

Ms. Shank's class began studying Jesus' miracles. We learned about Jesus healing the 10 lepers, and also read a book about Jesus feeding the 5,000 with loaves of bread and fish. We will follow up the story of this miracle with a craft next week.

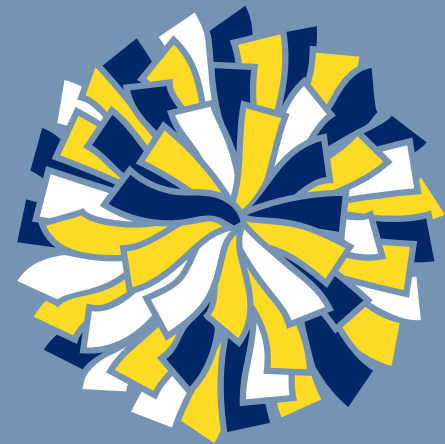
Science and Social Studies

Ms. Wawner's class finished up our weather unit by exploring severe weather this week. We learned about lightning and thunder and had fun simulating them by creating sparks through rubbing balloons and popping paper bags. Next week, we will start a unit on plants and will work on a special project with Mr. Bruscia's middle school Science class. We will experiment with hydroponics and compare that to traditional growing methods. We will be growing vegetables. Wish us luck!

Ms. Shank's class began our unit on community helpers, learning about farmers, veterinarians, and doctors. We're also continuing weather and graphing the daily climate. Next week, we'll do a fun spring weather craft with Froot Loops.



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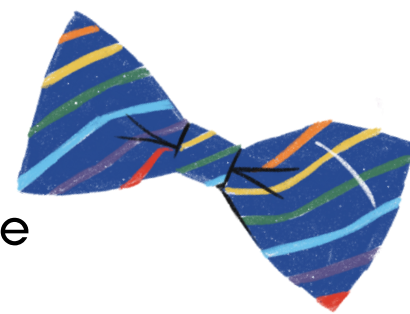
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