



**Charlottesville
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Friday Newsletter

4th Grade

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Dear 4th Grade Families,

Good afternoon! We had a wonderful week in 4th grade and hope you did as well! This was a jam packed week with the Book Fair and Grandparent's Day! It is hard to believe that we will be out of school this time next month! We are still making the most of our time together and getting ready for our upcoming MAP tests. Thank you all for your support. We are so appreciative of you and your families. Have a fantastic weekend and please reach out if you have any questions!

All the best,
4th Grade Team

Announcements

Important Dates

- Tuesday, May 14- May Crowning
- Wednesday, May 15- MAP Reading Test
- Wednesday, May 22- MAP Math Test

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Social Studies

This week in SS, students began a new chapter which focuses on Virginia history throughout the last century. We are covering a variety of topics such as World War I & II, technological changes, the Civil Rights movement, and more!

Next week, we will continue this chapter.

Science

This week the kids uncovered the secrets behind weather forecasting. They've learned about the fascinating ways in which air masses and fronts dance across the sky, influencing our daily weather patterns. They are equipped with the knowledge of the rain shadow effect, understanding how mountains can create dry regions on one side and lush, rainy climates on the other. After conquering the skies above, our focus will shift to the vast expanse beyond our atmosphere. Next week we will be blasting off into the world of astronomy as we dive into Chapter 10 and explore the wonders of our solar system.

Our Ch. 9 test is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14th.

Math

With protractors in hand, we've been diving deep into the world of geometry. We've been busy drawing angles with precision, and honing our ability to understand and manipulate these fundamental geometric elements. Armed with their newfound knowledge of angles, our students have been tackling challenging problems involving unknown angle measures. By applying their skills in addition and subtraction, they've been unraveling the mysteries of angle relationships and finding solutions with ease. Next week we will classify polygons and triangles, and focus on lines of symmetry.

Our Unit 14 test is scheduled for the week of May 20th.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week in LA, students completed a mini project *Some Places More Than Others*. This "Book in a Box" project was a blast and students did very well with it!

We also started our last unit which will focus on historical fiction. Students have been placed in book clubs in which they will read a historical fiction book. We will also read *Number the Stars* as a class to go along with what we learn about World War II.

Next week, students will continue to work on the Suitcase Project. This will be the culminating project for Language Arts. It is due on Monday, June 3.

Theology

Our young spiritual explorers have been discovering the unique ways we can connect with God in prayer. To deepen their understanding of each form of prayer, the kids had the opportunity to craft heartfelt prayers using blessings, adorations, praises, petitions, thanksgivings and intercessions. It has been a joy to witness their creativity and sincerity shine through as they pour their thoughts and feelings into each prayer form. To help cement their understanding of the different prayer forms, our students have created icons,

visual representations that encapsulate the essence of each form of prayer. As we continue our exploration of prayer in Unit 4 Lesson 18, the kids will have the opportunity to further refine their prayer practices and deepen their spiritual connection as they explore the important question- "How do we pray?"

Our Unit 4 Lesson 18 quiz is scheduled for Thursday, May 16th.