

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter May 12, 2023

2nd Grade

Dear Rainbow Cheetah and Silly Sloth families,

Hearts full! Thank you for spoiling us rotten during Teacher Appreciation Week! We're so blessed!

The Spring Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) testing will take place on May 22nd and May 24th. All testing will begin at 8:15AM. In order for us to gather accurate data, it is vital that students arrive at school on time, rested, and fed. Please do not schedule appointments for your child that may interfere with their testing time. While makeup testing is available, students tend to not perform as well when they are not in the full session with their classmates. We appreciate your help with this. Data collected helps us make informative instructional decisions.

A huge congratulations to all of those who will be receiving their First Communion this weekend! May the Lord continue to bless all of our beloved Sloths and Cheetahs on their journeys of faith! We are praying for you always!

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Calendar

5/15-5/19 - Last Week of Spelling Instruction

5/22 - MAP Testing, 8:15 am

5/23 - First Sacraments Mass

5/24 - MAP Testing, 8:15 am

5/26 - Screening of the movie "Matilda" (please email if your child will NOT be watching)

5/26 - 11:30 Dismissal

5/29 - No School

6/2 - Blue and Gold Day

6/2 - Field Day and Ice Cream Social

6/7 - Fractured Fairy Tale Plays, 1:00-2:00 in the Performance Space

6/8 - Last Day of School, 11:30 Dismissal

Announcements

- Spring has sprung! Keep your cutie outfitted for goose-bump inducing mornings, by layering with CCS sweaters, fleeces, and hoodies!
- Our little bookworms loved visiting the CCS Book Fair this week to preview and purchase books! Thank you for supporting your child's reading and our amazing school. Thank you, too, to Ms. Furin for bringing so much "book joy" to our students!
- Eeeek! Next week (May 15-19) is the last week of spelling instruction/homework. In an end of the year twist, we'll be studying words from science, social studies, and religion!
- Jesus has called the little children to his Sacraments this year and we want to celebrate! On **Tuesday**, **May 23rd**, all of our students who have received their First Reconciliation / First Communion this year will get the opportunity to be blessed and celebrated during our school Mass! We ask all of those who have received their First Communion to come to school that morning in their Communion outfits with their uniform in their backpack (we would hate for their beautiful suits and dresses to get soiled on the playground!). We hope that as many of you as possible can join us for our First Sacraments Mass as possible. Our 2nd (almost 3rd graders!) will also be leading the Mass!
- "We may be small, but we're quite tough!" ~Matilda, by Roald Dahl
 - On Friday, May 26, the Sloths and Cheetahs will be treated to a morning screening of Matilda. This movie is rated PG. If you do not want your child to watch this movie, please email us at your earliest convenience.

Math

From 2D to 3D, the Sloths and Cheetahs rock every dimension! This week, our geometry geniuses identified, categorized, and problem solved with both two-dimensional shapes and three-dimensional shapes. Here's some key vocabulary you can incorporate into carline, dinner, or homework conversations: circle, square, rectangle, trapezoid, rhombus, cube, rectangular prism, triangular prism, pyramid, cone, cylinder, side, angle, face, edge, vertex.

Computation cuties! Help your math fact fashionista stay current with math facts! #We'veGotThis

Ready for a dip with 2D and 3D shapes?! Hop in to math at SplashLearn.com. This free digital resource is sure to make a splash with your mathematician!

Literacy

Mechanics mavens! The Cheetahs and Sloths have completed their study of grammar for second grade. We'll continue to hold the Sloths and Cheetahs accountable for all learned skills in their writing. Feel free to do the same at home!

Sentimental for spelling!! This was our last official week of spelling instruction...we cannot believe the end of the school year is no near! Check folders for graded spelling tests today and congratulate your sweet speller on a year of hard work! Next week is our final week of spelling, and will revisit common vocabulary from science, social studies, and religion.

Trying new things? Yep, that's our thing! Over the final weeks of school, the Cheetahs and Sloths will become playful poets, cursive comrades, and animated actors. Mark your calendars for an adorable afternoon of fractured fairy tale fun! We'll perform live in the Performance Space on Wednesday, June 7 from 1:00-2:00 in the Performance Space.

Religion

Salve Regina! After covering our last VIRTUS lesson for the year, your little theologian explored the beauty of Mama Mary by discussing her special feast days! Next week we will begin exploring the Mysteries of the Rosary.

Looking ahead! 2nd grade will be leading their final Mass for the year on Tuesday, May 23rd! Students with readings will come home with them next week. Please be sure to review any reading with your child, if they have been selected. Also, please join us for Mass that day as it will be our super special First Sacraments Mass! See details above in announcements for more details.

Science/Social Studies

All things Science! The Sloths and Cheetahs are learning all about...well everything! Check out our vivacious vocabulary: carnivore, omnivore, herbivore, predator, prey, habitat, adaptation, camouflage, mimicry, migration, food chain, life cycle, metamorphosis, extinction, and endangered, to name a few! The Cheetahs and Sloths will apply these words in unique ways with our final project of the year.