

# Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter: 05/12/2023



# 5th Grade

#### Teacher's Message/Announcements

- Happy Mother's Day to all the Mothers, Grandmothers, and Godmothers in our CCS community! May God bless you!
- Thank you to everyone who made this Teacher Appreciation Week so special! We are blessed to be part of this supportive community!
- Spring Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) testing will take place during the weeks of May 15th and 22nd. Fifth grade reading MAP will be held on Wednesday, May 17, and math MAP will be held on Thursday, May 18. All testing will begin at 8:15AM. In order for us to gather accurate data on your child's progress, 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 make-ups are 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.

#### Calendar/Important Dates

Wednesday, 5/17: MAP Test: Reading

• Thursday, 5/18: MAP Test: Math

• **Friday, 5/19:** Test on *The Phantom Tollbooth* 

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### **Social Studies**

Last week we learned about slavery and abolitionists. We will be focusing on the causes of the Civil War.

### Math

We have been working on mean, median, mode, charts and graphs. We will have MAP math testing on Thursday.

- \*Students will need to complete (mastery level) Khan Academy *Add and Subtract Fractions, Multiplying Fractions, and Algebraic Thinking* by the end of the 4th quarter.
- \* Please practice the basic multiplication facts at home or in the car coming to and from school. Knowing your multiplication facts is a vital skill that students will be needing for success in math in school and in daily life.

## Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week students continued to read *The Phantom Tollbooth* and had a test on the spelling/vocabulary words. We also began diagramming sentences. Students also began working on a Dodecahedron Project to conclude our study of the novel. It is expected that most, or all, students will complete this project in class.

Next week, we will finish reading *The Phantom Tollbooth*, and will continue to focus heavily on the writing project. Students will have a test on the novel on Friday. We will also continue diagramming sentences next week and will have a quiz on that material the following week.

Students only have one paper-based IRA for the fourth quarter, which is due on Friday, May 26; this is a change from the original due date of May 25. We will continue to work on that in-class next week, as well.

## Religion

This week we continued our unit on The Beatitudes. We also had our lesson from the Empowering God's Children program.

Next week, we will continue to study the Beatitudes.

### Science

We completed our unit on the earth and moon. We will be turning our focus on science in the news.