



**Charlottesville
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Friday Newsletter

Middle School

As we approach the end of the school year, here are some key middle school dates:

- May 17th: Reading MAP Test
- May 18th: Math MAP Test
- May 26th: 11:30am dismissal (no aftercare)
- May 26th: FANS event to Massanutten
- May 29th: School closed in observance of Memorial Day
- May 30th - June 1st: 8th Grade Exams
- June 2nd: Field Day/8th Grade Retreat
- June 5th - June 7th: 6th and 7th Grade Exams
- June 5th: 8th Grade Graduation Practice/8th Grade Putt-Putt/8th Grade dinner
- June 6th: 8th Grade Graduation at 6pm

Spring Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) testing will take place during the weeks of May 15th and 22nd. For middle school, May 17th will be the Reading Test and the Math Test will be on the 18th. 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, with their computers fully charged.** 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.

Would you like to get ahead on service hours for church or community for 1st quarter next year (2023)? First Presbyterian Soup Kitchen is so appreciative of all the wonderful baked goods CCS MS have made throughout the year for their soup kitchen. On average they serve 75-100 people per week. They would LOVE the continual baking help during the summer.

Softer items are preferred (sheet cake, cookies, brownies etc) Items can be dropped at CCS front desk Monday or Tuesday morning (please check summer hours)

FYI - no allergy restrictions i.e. nuts/peanut butter items are fine. Items do NOT need to be individually wrapped nor cakes need to be pre-cut. For every 2 dozen/2 cakes = 1 hour service for First quarter 2023!

See Sign up Genius - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CAEAA2DA02-summer>

Social Studies - r.hendrick@cvillecatholic.org

6th: This week the 6th graders finished their World War I Unit. Next week we begin our Decades Project so we can review our year.

7th: This week the 7th graders finished their 1990s to 2000s Unit. Next week they will begin researching modern events from the last 13 years.

8th: This week the 8th graders began reviewing for their final exam by testing themselves on the first quarter of the year. Next week we will begin looking at the second quarter of the year.



Mathematics - j.garland@cvillecatholic.org & j.reid@cvillecatholic.org

Math 6 (Garland): On Friday, we quizzed on Polygons in the coordinate plane. We will review, this coming Monday and Tuesday, for our final unit test(Geometry). The students will finish up the year with a mini unit on Statistics. While we won't have a test on this unit, the information will be present on the final exam.

Pre-Algebra (Garland): This past week, we looked at experimental and theoretical probability. I plan on assessing these skills, with a quiz, this coming Monday. We will then look at measurements of central tendency(mean, median, mode, and range) and show how box and whisker plots help model statistics in a clear fashion.

Geometry (Garland): We finished up this week exploring the graphs of the sine and cosine functions, showing why they are called periodic functions. Next week, kids will be introduced to the Unit Circle and be required to fill in an entire Unit Circle by memory as their final test for Geometry. They have to score 100% on this test prior to the end of the year. Students may take the test once per day until they do so. In years past, the most amount of times an honor student has taken this has been 3 times, often with kids testing out the first day they see the pattern. The record for filling in 64 blanks the quickest was set 2 years ago(89 seconds!!)

Math 7 (Reid): This past week we continued our work with measures of central tendency (mean, median, mode & range). We also explored how we represent data by constructing stem & leaf plots as well as box & whisker plots. Next week we will start to work on proportional reasoning. Please remember that the Math 7 Exam Review - 2nd Semester is due on Tuesday, May 30th. It will be a 25 point homework grade that will be counted twice in the gradebook. It will not be accepted incomplete or late. Please talk with your child and see their progress on this assignment.

Algebra (Reid): This past week we finished up learning about the various methods of factoring. We also started to factor polynomials that required more than 1 factoring method. Next week will start to solve polynomial equations by factoring and eventually use the Quadratic Formula. Please remember that the Algebra 1 Exam Review - 2nd Semester is due on Tuesday, May 23rd (for the 8th graders) and Tuesday, May 30th (for the 7th graders). It will be a 25 point homework grade that will be counted twice in the gradebook. It will not be accepted incomplete or late. Please talk with your child and see their progress on this assignment.

Composition, Literature, and Language

Arts—e.kerrigan@cvillecatholic.org & l.lowdon@cvillecatholic.org

6th Grade Composition (Kerrigan): This week, we wrapped up our unit on clauses, conjunctions and punctuation, as well as *Vocabulary Power Plus* Lesson 19. Next week we will start a short unit

6th Grade Literature (Kerrigan): This week, we wrapped up our assessments on *Bridge to Terabithia*. Next week, we will be watching the Disney PG-rated movie of *Bridge to Terabithia* during our block class. Please let me know if you would not like your child to watch it.

7th Language Arts (Lowdon): We finished reading *Merchant of Venice* this week. There is no final test on this play, but we will be working on a writing assignment related to the play. This outlining/writing assignment will receive a project grade. The Wordly Wise, Lesson 13, test is Monday, and the IRA is due on May 23. A study guide for the exam is in Google Classroom.

8th Language Arts (Lowdon): Students are to read Ch. 8, *Outsiders*, this weekend in preparation for Monday's class. We will finish reading the book next week. The Wordly Wise, Lesson 14, test is Monday, and the IRA is due on May 23. The final writing project is due Monday, May 22. Directions are in Google Classroom. A study guide for the exam is in Google Classroom.

Science—m.bruscia@cvillecatholic.org

6th: This week we finished the respiratory system and we will start the integumentary system. Next week we will wrap up body systems and focus on Ecology.

7th: This week we learned about types of waves. Next week we will start our guitar projects.

8th: This week we concluded our field study of the watershed at CCS. Lots of great data and critters were collected. Next week we will synthesize our data in a report.

Spanish—j.osteen@cvillecatholic.org

7th and 8th: This week we began our review for the final exam! On the 17th and 18th (block days) students will take a review quiz to help them prepare for the exam. Then on

the following Wednesday and Thursday we will do the oral part of the final. There are 15 possible questions and students will be asked three at random. The study guide along with the oral questions are all on Google Classroom!