

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

Middle School

- Students may wear blue & gold on Monday as a fundraiser for Ukraine. Please see the Tuesday Teller for details.
- Performance Series testing for middle school will be Wednesday and Thursday, May 18 and 19.

Social Studies - r.hendrick@cvillecatholic.org

6th: This week the 6th graders finished their World War I unit. Next week they will begin reviewing for their final exam by creating a decades of history slideshow.

7th: This week the 7th graders finished their 2000s unit. Next week they will begin reviewing for their final exam by creating a decades of history slideshow.



8th: This week the 8th graders reviewed Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 of World history. Next week we will work on the second half of the course.

Mathematics - j.garland@cvillecatholic.org & l.devane@cvillecatholic.org

Math 6 (Garland): This past week, we started preparing for our final test on Percentages. The test is scheduled for Tuesday, May 17th and we will finish out the week comparing fractions, decimals, and percentages. Please note that the scantron performance series test for math will be on Wednesday, May 18th for this class.

Pre-Algebra (Garland): For Pre-Algebra 7 and 8, we finished this past week quizzing on the Percent Proportion. Next week, we will get into Simple Interest and the Gala Project. The project will be done in class and no materials need to be purchased. The finished product will be a Google Slides marketing presentation and will be due on May 23rd. Please note that the scantron performance series test for these kids will be on Wednesday, May 18th. For Pre-Algebra 6, we finished this past week getting into the Gala Project. It is due on Thursday, May 19th and we will present the kids results in class Thursday and Friday. Please note that the scantron performance series test for these kids will be on Thursday, May 19th.

Geometry (Garland): This past week, kids have been working on their digital portfolios for Geometric Constructions. They are due on Monday, May 16th. We will conclude our unit on Constructions with an SOL Practice given on Tuesday, May 17th. Geometry will wrap up with the kids learning about the Unit Circle and will have to test out, with a 100%, on this skill. The unit circle will be taught, as a pattern, based on special right triangles and arc length. They will be allowed to take the test, once per day (with Mr. Garland proctoring), until they score a 100%. We will also be preparing for final exams. Please note, that the scantron performance series test for these kids will be on Thursday, May 19th.

Math 7 (DeVane): Students worked on triangles and quadrilaterals this week. Next week, we will learn how to find the circumference and area of circles.

Algebra (DeVane): Students finished the unit on quadratic equations this week. They were given an exam review to start on. Next week, they will review and test quadratic equations on Tuesday. 8th grade will spend the rest of the week reviewing for exams. 7th grade will work on a project for line & curve of best fit. Please note that the scantron performance series test for math will be on Wednesday, May 18th.

Language Composition and Literature

6th: Literature - We continued with our reading of *Bridge to Terabithia* this week, but our primary focus was on our book talks. The kids did a great job! This was our only IRA for the quarter, so it will be 10% of their overall grade.



Next week, students will take their performance series test on their block day.

6th: We prepared for the adverb unit test this week. They completed it on Friday. We also started a new vocabulary lesson (15). It was nice having some of our classes outside in the sunshine. Next week we will start a unit on conjunctions, interjections and punctuation.

7th: Students had a quiz on Act 2, *Miracle Worker*, on Thursday. On Friday they took a test on the vocabulary (list #5). We began working on our final project of the school year, an outline and paper on a famous person who met obstacles head-on and overcame them. They will make a two minute presentation on their person at some point before the end of the year (to be announced). No new vocabulary lists will be presented for the rest of the year. Students should review the five lists they have studied recently, as many of the words will be on the final exam. The final IRA is due on May 24, and may be a book of the student's choice. The assignment is in Google classroom.

8th: Students are to read Chapter 8 in *The Outsiders* over the weekend. There is a Wordly Wise test, Lesson 17, next Tuesday. We will be reviewing and practicing material learned during the second semester and will finish reading The *Outsiders* for the duration of the school year. The last IRA assignment will be put in Google classroom; students may use *The*

Outsiders for this IRA, providing they have read the entire book. The due date for this assignment is May 24.

Religion



6th: This week the students worked on their Salvation History projects. The purpose is to show that the Bible is one continuous story that impacts us until this day. They are doing a great job so far of connecting Old Testament stories to the life of Jesus Christ and how he has fulfilled God's promises and prophecies. We will also be delving into the area of the Holy Land to see the links geographically as well. Today (May 13) is also the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, honoring the day when the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal. Here is a short video about this miraculous event.

7th: The students have been learning about the seven sacraments of the Catholic Church in more depth. We will continue this unit into next week. The students will then take a test on Liturgy and Sacraments. Today (May 13) is also the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, honoring the day when the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal. Here is a <u>short video</u> about this miraculous event.

8th: The 8th grade students have turned in their church projects, and they are fantastic! They are very creative in how they portrayed each part of the church and the architectural features they included. Thank you for supporting them for this project! We have also been discussing and learning about the Church's teaching on respecting life this week. They will have one final test next week on the last chapters of Church history, social justice, and respecting life. Then we will prepare for final exams. Today (May 13) is also the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, honoring the day when the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal. Here is a short video about this miraculous event.

Science

6th: This week we completed our unit on the respiratory system and took our assessment on the subject. We also reviewed the body systems we have learned to date by challenging ourselves to an escape room with digital keys. Next week we will conclude body systems and introduce ecology.

7th: This week we concluded our guitar projects. Next week we will introduce sources for energy and investigate technology utilized to implement non-renewable energy sources.

8th: This week we completed our Chesapeake Bay writing assignment and started our water quality assessment on the CCS watershed. We sampled the chemistry and counted macro-invertebrates. We actually caught some vertebrates as well(amphibians). Next week we will synthesize our data and create a report to showcase our findings.

Spanish

8th: This week we hosted our food day and the students did an incredible job! We tried foods from all over the Spanish speaking world and students made presentations to give more history and information on their dish. It was so fun to learn about the recipes and it was a great way to celebrate all the hard work they put into this year.







On Friday we started reviewing for the final. On Monday the students will take a short quiz that is a review for the final exam. On the block days we will begin the speaking portion of the exam. All other classes will be devoted to reviewing and preparing for the final exam.