



Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

Junior Kindergarten

May 16, 2025

Teacher's Message/Announcements

Important Dates

Friday, May 23: Field Day and 11:30 dismissal
Monday, May 26: Memorial Day; School closed
Monday, June 2: Last day of school for JK

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Announcements

- From the Library: Thank you so much to all who helped with our Book Fair! I truly appreciate each one of you. Just a reminder that this is the last week for book check-outs and **ALL** books are due back to the library **NEXT WEEK**. Thank you again for a wonderful year!
- Field Day for JK-7th grade is Friday, May 23. It is an 11:30AM dismissal day for students—JK Extended Day and STEAM Aftercare will both be in session. Please read the following information carefully and ensure that your children come to school fully prepared.

All essential items needed this day (with a few rules):

- Bathing suits are not required; if worn, they must be covered by shorts and a t-shirt at all times. Swim trunks are fine but t-shirts are to remain on. **If your student cannot take off their bathing suit by themselves in order to go to the bathroom and change their wet clothes at the end of field day, please have them not wear one.**
- Appropriate closed-toed shoes; sneakers are preferred (**NO Crocs, flip flops, or sandals**). Feel free to send in an additional pair of sneakers if you would like.

- Sunscreen, sunscreen, sunscreen! Sunscreen MUST be applied at home, as we cannot apply it to students at school
- Comfortable loose fitting athletic attire that meets dress code requirements
- A FULL change of clothes (including socks) should be brought to school in a labeled zip locked bag. We will use this bag for wet clothes.
- Hats are acceptable on this day as they provide sun blockage
- No sunglasses (unless prescription)
- LABELED Water Bottle (it is very important that we stay hydrated on this day)
- Towel
- [Sign up to volunteer here!](#)

Math

Ms. Wawner's class continued to review subtraction and addition. We created math sentences from word problems and we played review games.

Ms. Shank's class will be reviewing units that we have learned throughout the year.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Ms. Wawner's class continued our alphabet review with our ABC Countdown. We played kickball, made our own lemonade, created a class playlist, went on a nature scavenger hunt, and completed an obstacle course. Students created their own short stories with a character, setting, problem and solution. We also worked in our writing center, practicing writing our sight words, our names, our numbers, etc.

Ms. Shank's class continued reviewing sight words as we prepare for kindergarten. We read books highlighting the words *has* and *big*. We have been practicing reading sentences with our sight words. We continued our author study of Eric Carle that fits with our study of insects. We talked about how he created his illustrations and next week we will all become Eric Carles and create our own art project using his technique.

Theology/SEL

Ms. Wawner's class continued our study of Fruits of the Spirit. We focused on the fruits of joy and peace. For joy, we read the story of Silas and Paul in prison and talked about how they sang even though they were in a dark place. We learned the story of Abigail, Nabal and David and how Abigail helped keep the peace by offering David and his troops food. We talked about how we may be able to solve a conflict and keep the peace.

Ms. Shank's class focused on the Fruits of the Spirits. We talked about each fruit and what they represent. The students then make pictures to go with each fruit.

Science and Social Studies

Ms. Wawner's class focused on bees this week during our insect unit. We learned how the female worker bees have lots of different jobs such as cleaners, fanners, foragers, etc. We also learned how bees do a dance to communicate where flowers are. We practiced drawing bees and we were able to dictate sentences about what we learned.

Ms. Shank's class will finish our unit on insects and life cycles. Our caterpillars build their chrysalis. We hope in the next 10 days they will transform. Next week we will create our own "insect". We will also create our own Eric Carle illustration. We began our study of plants by learning about their needs, life-cycle, and the parts of the plant. Next week we will plant our seed.