

# Charlottesville Catholic School

# Friday Newsletter

# 5th Grade 05/17/2024

- Thank you for all the gifts, notes and goodies duringTeacher Appreciation Week!
  We feel so blessed to be working with your children and to have such amazing parents!
- Friday, May 24th is Field Day. Students will need sunscreen (applied at home), water bottles, and a towel. We will be dismissing students at 11:30 am. *Please* see the last page of the newsletter for important Field Day information.
- Mr. Frazier asked us to pass this along:
  - Many students are still not bringing their PE uniforms to class.
  - When students fail to bring their PE uniforms to class when they're in middle school, they'll earn demerits.
  - To ensure students form the habits of being ready to change to a PE uniform next year, please be sure your child has the appropriate uniform each class.

#### **Calendar/Important Dates:**

- Wednesday, May 22: MAP TESTING -Math
- Thursday, May 23: Summative Math TEST
- Thursday, May 23: Revised draft of research paper (see note in LA section)
- Friday, May 24: IRA due
- Friday, May 24: Field Day, Dismissal @11:30 am
- Monday, May 27: No school/Memorial Day

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### Social Studies

In history we will be learning about early US history and how we came to be a nation. We will be learning about what our nation looks like at 50. As we continue through the 4th quarter we will be looking at the causes of the Civil War. Our last project in social studies will be a timeline that we will complete in class.

As part of learning about Westward Expansion, students are encouraged to play Oregon Trail online. Here's the link: <a href="https://oregontrail.ws/games/the-oregon-trail/play/">https://oregontrail.ws/games/the-oregon-trail/play/</a>

## Math

We have been working on reviewing for the summative math test. The test will begin on 5/21 and be completed on 5/23. The Math MAP test is on 5/22. There will be no math homework this week due to the intensive review and testing schedule.

To reinforce math concepts and skills, students are assigned sections for Khan Academy (khanacademy.org). This is for a grade. Students have their login and password in their planner. The 4rd qtr. requirements, **due before the end of the quarter 5/23/24** are

Multiplying Fractions, Algebraic Thinking and Divide Decimals (under 5th grade - **not** Getting Ready for 5th).

# Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week students continued reading *The Phantom Tollbooth* and worked on the Dodecahedron Project in connection with this novel. It will be due at the end of the novel in approximately two weeks. Students also began three lessons in language arts in Edmentum. They also received a new set of spelling/vocabulary words.

Next week, students will continue to read *The Phantom Tollbooth* and work on the Dodecahedron Project. We will also start sentence diagramming either late next week or early the following week. In addition, we did not get to work on the revised drafts of the research paper this week because of our MAP testing, the use of our Chromebooks by a lower grade for their MAP test, and our flipping forward day on Friday. As a result, we will work on that next week, and it will be due on Thursday. *The fourth quarter IRA is due Friday, May 24.* 

## Theology

This week we concluded the unit on Theology of the Body. We will start our unit on the Beatitudes next week.

## Science

#### Field Day 2024 JK-6th

#### FIELD DAY THEME = "Fun, Friends, and Farewells"

It is important our kids know this theme for the day, please alert them. Fun = a good time spent with our peers away from the classroom. Friends = celebrating the relationships we've made this year and enjoying them. Farewells = having FUN with our FRIENDS one last time together this year - Have a FUN summer and to all of our FRIENDS at CCS - FAREWELL!

#### Dear Parents,

We are so excited to be offering this again and can't wait to see all the students and volunteers. Please read ahead to get a quick note on what is required of your students on field day. All other notes regarding field day activities and movement patterns will be answered and addressed by reviewing the remaining parts of your packet. Please read ALL THE WAY THROUGH. All activities this day will involve lots of movement and lots of water. Given the duration of the day, it is extremely important to have a few items accompanied by each student. Please see the list below. I do though need to stress that students must have a labeled water bottle.

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 tee shirt at all times. Swim trunks are fine but shirt tops are to remain on.
- Appropriate closed-toed shoes sneakers are preferred (no Crocs, flip flops, or sandals)
- Sunscreen, Sunscreen, and Sunscreen (<u>sunscreen MUST be applied at home, as we cannot apply it to students at school</u>)
- Comfortable loose fitting athletic attire that meets dress code requirements
- A change of clothes, FULL set of clothes, and change of shoes, socks too!
- Hats are acceptable on this day as they provide sun blockage
- No sunglasses (Unless prescription)
- LABELED Water Bottle (super important we stay hydrated on this day.)
- Towel (1 should be ok, as heat should dry towels quickly)
- Snack

The field day time frame is 8:30 - 11:00 am. We will have 15 groups rotating through 12 stations (roughly 12 minutes a station.) As the primary field day activities conclude, the schedule will allow for changing time, cleaning time, and pack up time to be dismissed by 11:30. This means that all classes will go back to their classrooms to cool off, snack if necessary, and prepare to go home for the long weekend. (no school lunch/HALF DAY)

It will be a fun day your students won't soon forget, so be sure to rest up Thursday night!!! Thank you so much for your help ensuring your students have what they need on this day. We are looking forward to a wonderful day!

Mr. Frazier