



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars


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Friday Newsletter

5-19-2023

3rd Grade

Teacher's Message/Announcements:

- **Library Note** 
Please send in library books. Overdue notices will be sent home next week. Thank you!
- **Virtus Training (Volunteers)**
Just a reminder - If you are planning on driving and/or would like to volunteer for any school and student activities, you must receive prior training. You may register at https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme=0
- **Approved List of Food Items for School Year 2022-2023**
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1HjgF59yh1nnTDitj7-o9xBbmia9KWB3S/view?usp=sharing>

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Science

This week students will learn how the moon and earth interact, and will be introduced to the different phases of the moon and the lunar and solar eclipse. We will begin working on our vocabulary foldable booklet.

Next week students will learn the order of planets in the solar system and be introduced to other bodies that make up our universe. We will begin working on our Solar System project.

Social Studies

This week students will learn how they adapted to their environment and the resources used to produce goods and services. They will identify Ancient Greece on a map and explain how it has changed over time.

Next week students will learn about the contributions of ancient Rome. We will cover architecture, government, arts, and environment. Please read the Parent Letter in their Friday Folder.

Math

This week students will learn how fractions are part of a set. They will also be introduced to fractions using a number line, and equivalent fractions.

Next week students will learn how to compare fractions using a number line, and begin our measurement unit. (They are welcome to explore the fourth grade math skills and concepts as well.)

- To prevent a summer slide please have your child continue to work on the Study Island website.
- Parents who would like to order a math workbook, may go to Summerskills.com

Free Summer Websites:

- StudyIsland.com will be available until August 4th.
- Math Trainer- addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division /Fluency and Accuracy Practice

Language Arts/Writing

This Week:

- Daily Grammar Review: What Makes a Good Book Report?, Past Skills
- Word Study: **Homophones (here and here, dear and deer)**
- Suffixes: Intro - **en (wooden,brighten) - made of, to make**, Review - ic, ist, ure, ous, us, less
- Prefixes: Intro - **con (construct) - together**, Review - mid, anti, trans, de, fore, inter, un, re, pre
- Writing - Book Fair Report Writing, Homophones

Next Week:

- Daily Grammar Review: Poetic Devices/Structure and Figurative Language - **Quiz on Friday**
- Word Study: Review Past Skills - **No Quiz on Friday**
- Suffixes: Intro - Review
- Prefixes: Intro - Review
- Writing - Using figurative language and other techniques such as similes, metaphors, idioms, personification, alliteration, and imagery into our writing.

Homework:

- Word Study (M-Th) - 10 min. Students do not need to turn anything in.

Reading

This Week: We took our final MAP Reading Assessment of the year, completed our Book Fair Reports (Google Slides Presentations), and began sharing them to the class.

Next Week: Students will continue sharing/presenting their Book Fair Reports (Google Slides Presentations). We will also introduce our unit on Poetry. We will be discussing different types, examining various poetic devices used to create rhythm, establish mood, and enhance the overall meaning of the poem, and finally, learning about and incorporating figurative language and other techniques such as similes, metaphors, idioms, personification, alliteration, and imagery into our own writing.

Learning Ally

-read.learningally.org - An online library resource with Read Aloud Book options, similar to Epic, but can be accessed at home at no additional cost to you.

Username - For example - t.little@cvillecatholic.org or ti.little@cvillecatholic.org (Student email)

Password - For example - catholic1234 (catholic + last 4 of Student ID)

Not Homework but Recommended:

Nightly Reading (M-Th) - Approximately 20 min. Students should indicate the number of minutes read each night/week in their planner.

Religion

This Week:

May is Mary's month, which marks a new spiritual season, representing the beginning of new life! This week we continued to recognize Mary by praying the Rosary, learning more about her through the Hail, Holy Queen prayer, and honoring her further with special devotions and activities. We also recognized the feast of Our Lady of Fatima (May 13) and began to discuss the Marian Apparitions that would occur over the next several months.

Next Week:

We will continue to learn about and honor Mary next week with activities based around the feast day of Our Lady of Fatima, Mary's Three Secrets, and the Miracle of the Sun. Mary, who plays an important role in the Church for she helps to lead us to her Son, loves us so much that she has made several apparitions throughout time to convey messages to us which will help us get to Heaven.

Additionally, while Easter Sunday and our break is over, we will still be in the Easter Season, which runs from April 9 (Easter) to May 28 (Pentecost). Therefore, we will continue to celebrate Jesus' resurrection through the end of the school year.