

# Charlottesville Catholic School Friday Newsletter

# Middle School

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

- 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

Library Note Sec... Please send in library books. Overdue notices will be sent home next week. Thank you

June 7th is our last FANS Event of the school year!! Backyard Games at School! We need your help! We need parent volunteers to help monitor games as well as to BORROW some fun backyard games! Please review the available slots in the linked <u>Sign-up Genius</u> and click on the button to sign up. Thank you very much!

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!

# Social Studies - r.hendrick@cvillecatholic.org

6th: This week the 6th Graders began reviewing for their final exam by starting a review project on everything they learned this year. Next week they will turn in their project on Tuesday.

7th: This week the 7th graders began reviewing for their final exam by starting a review project. Next week they will turn in their project on Tuesday.



8th: This week the 8th graders prepared for the final exam. Next week, on Friday the 26th, they will take the essay portion of their final exam.

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

Math 6 (Garland): This past week, we finished discussing Mean, Median, Mode, and Range. This coming week, we will get into Outlier's effects on data, and using Dot/Stem and Leaf Plots to analyze measures of central tendency.

Pre-Algebra (Garland): This past week, we finished up our Data and Probability unit by looking at Box and Whisker graphs. This coming week, we will discuss a small Geometry unit that focuses on area and perimeter. 8th graders will start reviewing for their exam which will be on Tuesday, May 30th.

Geometry (Garland): We are going to be using this last week of classes to review for the final exam, which will take place on Tuesday, May 30th.

Math 7 (Reid): This past week the kids got a lot of time in class to work on their exam review packet that is due on Tuesday May 30th because of MAP testing this week. After we completed looking at Stem & Leaf plots as well as Box & Whisker plots we will look at ratios, rates and proportions. Please talk with your child to see how much of the exam review packet they have completed so far as well as looking at Google Classroom for due dates of the last couple of bigger assignments.

Algebra (Reid): This past week we solved quadratic equations by factoring. We also had quite a bit of time to work on the exam review packet that is due 05.23 for the 8th graders and 05.30 for the 7th graders. We will start simplifying radical expressions before the exam. Please talk with your child to see how much of the exam review packet they have completed so far as well as looking at Google Classroom for due dates of the last couple of bigger assignments. Please note that the dates for 7th & 8th grade Algebra 1 sections are different due to the 8th graders finishing slightly earlier because of their graduation on June 6th.

# Composition, Literature, and Language

Arts-<u>e.kerrigan@cvillecatholic.org</u> & <u>l.lowdon@cvillecatholic.org</u>

6th Grade Composition (Kerrigan): This past week, 6th grade studied adjectives and did the exercises for Lesson 20. Due to scheduling changes for MAP testing, the quiz for Lesson 20, usually scheduled for Friday, will be combined into next week's Lesson 21 quiz. Next week we will do lesson 21, our final set of words, and students will receive their study guide for the exam.

6th Grade Literature (Kerrigan): Sixth grade has been discussing plagiarism, the validity of online sources, and how to properly cite information using MLA style. They are working on a research slide project in class, which may carry over into homework next week for some students.

The final IRA is due next week! The format is different this time. Students will be doing oral presentations in class on Thursday, May 25, and will be rehearsing for their presentations on Tuesday, May 23. I highly recommend that students finish their Book Talks this weekend.

7th Language Arts (Lowdon): We will continue working on outlining and writing the essay on Shylock. There will be a Wordly Wise test on block day next week (lesson 14). The last IRA is due on Tuesday.

8th Language Arts (Lowdon): We will finish reading *The Outsiders* next week. There will not be a test on this book; a section of the exam will feature questions on the book. There is a Wordly Wise test on Tuesday (lesson 15). The major 8th grade writing project is due on Monday, and the last IRA is due on Tuesday.

# Religion-<u>a.sisman@cvillecatholic.org</u>

6th: This week 6th grade is learning about the prophets of the Old Testament. Next week they will complete a project that pulls together all of the stories that they have learned. This will be a mostly in-class project. We will also continue reading <u>The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe</u>. This is the last of the new content for the year. We will then focus on preparing for finals.

7th: Students in 7th grade are preparing for a test on Monday on Chs. 25, 26, F, and G. We will also continue reading <u>The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe</u>. This is the last of the new content for the year. We will then focus on preparing for finals.

8th: 8th grade is finishing up a chapter on respecting truth and property. There will be one last test next week on Chs. 40-43. This is the last of the new content for the year. We will then focus on preparing for finals.

## Science-<u>m.bruscia@cvillecatholic.org</u>

6th: This week we started our discussions on Biomes and Ecology. We also went for a walk on the CCS trail and reviewed our final while discussing what we saw on the trail. Next week we will continue to discuss ecology and various interactions between organisms and their environment.

7th: This week we continued our guitar projects. Next week we will continue to construct and play our guitars.

8th: This week we discussed water conservation and presented our ideas for addressing drought conditions found throughout the United States.

### Spanish-j.osteen@cvillecatholic.org

7th and 8th: This week we reviewed the house, clothing, location, time, food, irregular verbs and regular verbs! Students took their final quiz on Friday which was a short review for the final exam. Next week students will do the speaking portion of the final exam. This will be done on Wednesday and Thursday. All the possible questions are posted on Google Classroom. Next week students will also take a practice test to better prepare for the final. The practice test will be open notes, but students should try to complete it without notes as it is very similar to the final. The final will be closed note and on paper.