



**Charlottesville  
Catholic School**  
*Christ Community Scholars*

# Charlottesville Catholic School

## Friday Newsletter

### 2nd Grade

### May 2, 2025

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

**Saturday, May 3rd**- 2025 Gala Auction (5:30 pm)

**Monday, May 5th - Friday, May 9th** - Art Show & Book Fair, Teacher Appreciation Week

**Tuesday, May 6th** - No Mass/No Formal Dress

**Wednesday, May 7th** - Art Show Open House

**Thursday, May 8th**- MAP Reading Test 2nd Grade

**Friday, May 9th** - Grandparents & Great Friends Day

**Monday, May 12th** - Richmond Zoo Field Trip, 8:15 am- 3:30 pm

**Wednesday, May 14th**- MAP Math Test 2nd Grade

**Tuesday, May 20th**- Fractured Fairy Tale Readers Theater (1:15 pm, Performance Space)

#### **Teacher email addresses**

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\*Please don't hesitate to reach out! We are excited to be your partners in your child's education!

#### **Teacher Announcements**

The second grade spring field trip will be to the **Richmond Zoo on May 12, 2025**. We will be leaving after the morning carline at 8:15 am. We will be returning to school after the afternoon carline around 3:30 pm. If you are available to volunteer to drive to the field trip please let us know on the form. If you would like to

volunteer to drive you must be VIRTUS trained and all forms must be completed.  
Thank you 😊

**UPDATE:** Second grade will be hosting a Fractured Fairy Tale Readers Theater on **May 20, 2025 at 1:15 pm in the Performance Space**. All families are invited to attend. More information will be given next week.

### **Important School Announcements**

- Spring MAP Growth Assessments will be taken on Thursday, May 8 (reading) and Wednesday, May 14 (math). All students in grades 1-8 will take their assessments at the same time, starting at 8:30AM both days. In order for students to be prepared to do their best, they should be well-rested, have a healthy breakfast, and arrive at school on time. Outside appointments that require a late arrival or pick-up before 11AM should be avoided.
- **A Message From the PTO: Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week**  
Teacher Appreciation Week is May 5-9. Please help us celebrate our incredible staff at CCS!  
**Monday, May 5th:** Wall of Appreciation - Please send in your sunshine shout-outs to the staff. This was sent home with the students.  
**Tuesday, May 6th:** The PTO will treat the staff with coffee and donuts on this day.  
**Wednesday, May 7th:** Parent volunteers will visit each classroom to distribute treats from the "treat cart". You can sign up to donate \$5 to fill the treat cart on the SignUp Genius below.  
**Thursday, May 8th:** The PTO will provide Sticks for lunch. We need volunteers for recess/lunch duty as well as seltzer water and desserts. Please consider volunteering to make this day a success.  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A44A5A62BA0F85-56351033-appreciation>  
**Friday, May 9th:** Please send in a card from your child/family to their homeroom teacher along with any other staff member!
- We are still in need of volunteers to help with putting up the Art Show this weekend, as well as volunteers to staff the Book Fair next week. Please see the Sign Up Geniuses below:
  - [Art Show Volunteers](#)
  - [Book Fair Volunteers](#)
- Our annual May Crowning will be held on Tuesday, May 13 during Mass. At the beginning of Mass, all students will present flowers to Mary. **Each student is asked to bring in one (1) long-stemmed flower that morning.**

All Families are invited to our annual Art Show Open House taking place after school on Wednesday, May 7th from 4-6. The Book Fair will have extended hours during this time and food, activities and first-class art will all be provided for you to enjoy. Volunteers are still needed on May 3rd and 4th to hang the Art Show. We are in need of many more adults to help set up and take down the art show this year. Middle Schoolers may also use this as an opportunity to get service hours for any category. Please use this [SignUp Genius](#) to schedule a time.

Thanks!

Vanessa Devlin

Our annual Grandparents and Great Friends Day will be held on Friday, May 9, 2025. Students in JK-5th grade are encouraged to invite their grandparents or another special visitor to join them at school that day. There will be 2 sessions for visits—JK through 2nd grade at 8:45AM (check-in from 8:30AM-8:45AM), and 3rd through 5th grades at 10:45AM (check-in between 10:30AM and 10:45AM). Those visiting multiple students are welcome to attend both sessions. [Please fill out this RSVP form](#) no later than Monday, May 5 so that we can properly plan for the day.

## Math

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This week we started our unit on three digit addition. Next week we will continue learning more strategies to help us add three digit numbers.

## Language Arts/Reading/Writing

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### Reading

We continued poetry by learning about the elements of poetry including rhythm and rhyme. We read and listened to a lot of different types of poems including haiku, cinquain and freestyle poems.

### Grammar

We continued to learn about elements of poetry: alliteration and onomatopoeia.

### Writing

We continued to write about and explore different types of poetry. We also wrote in our daily writing journals and practiced our handwriting. Next week we will introduce how to write a letter.

## Theology

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This week we had our First Communion Retreat, where we learned about the parts of mass, the Eucharist and how to prepare for Jesus.

## Social Studies

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We focused on science this week.

## Science

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We continued our animal research project. The students have been learning all about different animal habitats and life cycles.

## Other Information

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### **Snack (9:20/9:55)/ Lunch (11:30)**

Please include a snack with your child's lunch everyday along with a filled spill proof water bottle. Please be mindful of the food that you are packing. Our second grade classrooms are nut free, so double check labels. Nuts are okay to bring into the cafeteria for lunch time this year!

### **Specials Schedule**

Monday - Music

Tuesday - Library & Mass

Wednesday - Art, P.E, & Chapel

Thursday- Library

Friday - Music

### **Homework (M-TH)**

Please check your child's blue folder for any homework. All homework will be written by your child in their agenda book each day.

Your child will have a reading response prompt and a math/writing homework sheet.

Please, no more than 25 minutes a night. Reading should be done every night!

# EVENT SCHEDULE

# MAY 5-9

**05**

MAY, 2025

**ART SHOW AND  
BOOK FAIR OPEN  
TO STUDENTS**

**07**

MAY, 2025

**ART SHOW OPEN  
HOUSE**

REFRESHMENTS, ACTIVITIES AND  
BOOK FAIR EXTENDED HOURS

04-06 PM

**09**

MAY, 2025

**GRANDPARENTS  
DAY**

LAST DAY FOR BOOK FAIR,  
SEE TELLER FOR DETAILS