

Charlottesville Catholic School Friday Newsletter

5th Grade 05/02/2025



Teacher's Message/Announcements:

- Next Thursday, we have MAP testing (Reading). Please be sure your child gets plenty of sleep the night before and eats a healthy breakfast. Also, please be sure to send your child with a water bottle that day to minimize movement and trips to the water fountain during the test.
- We are looking forward to meeting grandparents next Friday!

Calendar/Important Dates:

Tuesday, May 6: No Mass/No Formal Dress Tuesday, May 6: Graphs & ChartsTEST

Wednesday, May 7: Test on chapters 1-10 of The Phantom Tollbooth

Thursday, May 8: Quiz on the first four Beatitudes

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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.
- 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.
- 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
 - o 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. <u>Each student is</u> <u>asked to bring in one (1) long-stemmed flower that morning.</u>

Social Studies

In history we will be looking at the growing pains of the new nation and at the issues that led to the Civil War. We will be learning about the Civil War and the major events and people that are part of this conflict.

Math

Students will be working on fraction-decimal-percent relationships and starting our unit on measurement.

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 **4th quarter** requirements to complete for Math: 5th grade are *Multiplying Fractions* (unit 6), *Algebraic Thinking* (unit 13), and *Dividing Decimals* (unit 9). **Completion due date is 5/28.**

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week students continued reading *The Phantom Tollbooth* and had a test on the list of spelling/vocabulary words from *The Phantom Tollbooth*, Chapters 1-5. Students also worked on the rough drafts of their research papers. We also diagrammed sentences with direct and indirect objects.

Next week, we will continue to work on the research paper, continue to read *The Phantom Tollbooth*, and have a test on chapters 1-10 of that novel.

The fourth quarter IRA is due Friday, May 23.

Theology

This week, we concluded our unit on Theology of the Body and began the unit on the Beatitudes. In this unit, students will be completing a project on all eight Beatitudes, but they will also have two quizzes. The first quiz will be next week on the first four Beatitudes, and the second will be the following week on the last four.

Science

We will be starting our unit on weather. Please add this topic to your daily routine by discussing how the weather conditions will affect your daily activities (like how you dress for the day).

EVENT SCHEDULE

MAY 5-9

05MAY, 2025

ART SHOW AND BOOK FAIR OPEN TO STUDENTS

07MAY. 2025

ART SHOW OPEN HOUSE

REFRESHMENTS, ACTIVITIES AND BOOK FAIR EXTENDED HOURS 04-06 PM

09MAY, 2025

GRANDPARENTS DAY

LAST DAY FOR BOOK FAIR, SEE TELLER FOR DETAILS