

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

5th Grade 05/03/2024

Teacher's Message/Announcements:

- Save the Date! Our annual Grandparents and Great Friends Day will be held on Friday, May 10, 2024. Students in JK-5th 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 Friday, May 3 so that we can properly plan for the day.
- Call for Art Show Volunteers (STUDENT AND PARENT OPPORTUNITIES)
 Mrs. Devlin needs help hanging student art for our annual All CCS Art Show. The show will be hung Saturday, May 4th and Sunday, May 5th, The Open House will take place after school Wednesday, May 8th. Food and Beverages will be needed. Please see the SignUp Genius linked here to sign up.
 https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B4EA9A82BA46-49042420-2024
- The Scholastic Book Fair is coming the Week of May 6-10!! It will be open during your child's usual Library class times, first for creating their Wish List and later for shopping. The Fair will also be open Wednesday evening during the Art Show Open House and Friday morning during Grandparents and Great Friends Day. You are more than welcome to come and help your child shop, or if you would prefer to have your child shop on their own, you may set up an e-wallet for them. Details will be on the Scholastic Flyer that goes home next week. Scholastic also takes credit cards, checks and cash.

- Please consider signing up to help with the book fair. We need lots of hands to help make this event a success! <u>Visit the Sign Up Genius here for available slots</u>.
- From the PTO: Teacher Appreciation Week is May 6-10. Please help us celebrate our incredible staff at CCS!

Monday- The PTO will stock the teachers' lounge with goodies Tuesday-Wall of Appreciation- Please send in your "donut" with shoutouts to the staff. This was sent home with students. The staff will be treated to coffee and donuts on this day.

Wednesday - The PTO will provide Sticks for lunch. We still need volunteers for recess/lunch duty. Please consider volunteering to make this day a success. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C48AEAA2AA0F58-49164722-teacherfacultv#/

Thursday - The PTO will provide a small token of appreciation Friday- Please send in a card from your child/family to their homeroom teacher along with any other staff member!

Calendar/Important Dates:

- Monday, May 6: Science TEST
- Monday, May 6: Recite the entire Nicene Creed for test grade
- Wednesday, May 8: Spelling/vocabulary test on words from The Phantom Tollbooth, chapters 5-9
- Thursday, May 9: Revised draft of research paper due

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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: https://oregontrail.ws/games/the-oregon-trail/play/

Math

We have been reviewing measurement and decimals. We will be working on reviewing prime and composite numbers, fractions, algebraic equations and understanding the relationship between fractions/decimals/percents/ratios.

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 taking a test on chapters 1-10. They also had a test on words that can be used as nouns or verbs, and words that can be used as nouns or adjectives. Students also worked with the next set of spelling/vocabulary words, and they will have a test on those words next week. Students also completed a prewrite for the research paper and wrote the rough draft.

Next week, students will continue to read *The Phantom Tollbooth*. They will also have a test on the spelling/vocabulary words, and we will use the rough draft to write a revised draft of the research paper. If there is time at the end of the week, students will receive a project connected to *The Phantom Tollbooth*, and this project is intended to be completed in class.

Theology

This week students continued memorizing the Nicene Creed. They will recite the entire thing for a test grade on Monday.

Next week, we will start our nine-lesson unit on Theology of the Body. This unit will take place over the course of the next two weeks.

Science

We are learning about the solar system. We will have a science test on Monday, May 6. Students need to review their study guide. Our next unit will be on weather.

I want to thank everyone who helped to make our big lab day a fun learning experience!





ART OPEN HOUSE

Charlottesville Catholic School Wednesday, May 8th from 4 to 6 p.m.



OPEN HOUSE DETAILS

Commence at 4 with musical performances by Ms. Wisbey's Middle School Music Improv Group and the Elementary Chorus Club.

Indulge in our reception while admiring over 1200 pieces of art chosen for this year's exhibition.

Engage in our enjoyable family art-making activities and contribute to our local Pediatric Cardiac Care unit with a donation. Our NJHS will oversee the free activities and donations.

CCS HAS ARTISTS WITH HEART

Change Kids' Health. Change the Future®.

"As my 4th heart surgery approaches later this year, I feel blessed and grateful for the CCS community. THANK YOU, CCS, for supporting Pediatric Cardiology at UVA Health Children's. Your donation helps kids like me live life and DREAM big!" - Olivia

