

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

5-5-2023

Good afternoon 4th grade families! We had a wonderful week at school and hope you did as well! A big shout out to those who went or participated online for the Spring Gala last weekend! It was great to see so many of you in person! It's events such as this one that make this such a unique and special place. Thank you all for your support and have a great weekend!

4th Grade

Announcements

- We do NOT have Mass next Tuesday, May 9. Students do not need to be in formal dress.
- Please make sure that your child's uniforms fit properly and guidelines regarding hair, makeup, and jewelry are being followed.
- Spring Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) testing will take place on May 17 and 18 for 4th grade. All testing will begin at 8:15AM. In order for us to gather accurate data on your child's progress, it is vital that students arrive at school on time, rested, and fed. Please do not schedule appointments for your child that may interfere with their testing time. While makeups are available, students tend to not perform as well when they are not in the full session with their classmates. We appreciate your help with this. Data collected helps us make informative instructional decisions.
- Your child's attendance counts! We have officially entered our busiest time of year, and it is imperative that the kids are at school with us.
- As we have several students with peanut allergies in 4th grade, please be conscientious of them when packing snacks/lunches.
- Volunteer Opportunity: Father Joseph Mary of Holy Comforter Catholic Church has invited Charlottesville Catholic students to help with mass on Sunday, May 8 as greeters, ushers and gift bearers. Here is the link to sign up.
- We are anxiously awaiting the Spring Book Fair! The students love the book fair, and it is a wonderful CCS tradition. Unfortunately, this year we are struggling to secure parent volunteers to make this happen. If we are unable to appropriately staff the book fair, we will unfortunately have to greatly reduce the time offerings for accessibility. Please email Mrs. Furin (<u>i.furin@cvillecatholic.org</u>)
- Contact emails: a.burgin@cvillecatholic.org a.taleghani@cvillecatholic.org

Calendar/Important Dates:

- Monday, May 8-12- Book Fair Week
- Tuesday, May 9- <u>NO MASS (No Formal Dress)</u>
- Wednesday, May 10- Art Show Open House
- Friday, May 12- Great Friends & Grandparents Day
- Friday, May 12 and Saturday Mat, 13- Spring Musical
- Wednesday, May 17 & Thursday, May 18- MAP Testing (Please be present & on time!)
- Thursday, June 8- Last Day of School/Blue & Gold Day (11:30 Dismissal and No Aftercare)

Social Studies

This week in Social Studies, students finished chapter 8 which focused on the aftermath of the Civil War. We also began a project that focuses on the Industrial Revolution. The information for this project is located in SS Google Classroom.

This project is due on Monday, May 8.

Math

In Math this week we wrapped up Ch. 11 on Customary Units of Length and began Ch. 12 which is all about the Metric system. So far we have learned about Metric units of length, capacity, and mass. We will continue next week with word problems involving metric units and conversions.

The Ch. 12 Test is scheduled for Thursday, 5/11.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week in Language Arts, students begin a unit in which they will participate in a historical fiction book club as we combine language arts and social studies to learn about how the past connects to our present and future. In this unit we will also read *Number the Stars*.

The Suitcase Project is due Monday, June 5. Please reach out with any questions.

Religion

In Religion this week we have been focused on poems and messages to our grandparents and grandfriends. We also came up with some interview questions to ask them when they visit! We look forward to learning more about them. We also had our VIRTUS lesson on "Touching safety" and began Unit 4 Lesson 18- "How do we pray?"

There will be a Unit 4 Lesson 18 Quiz next week.

Science

In Science this week we have transitioned from "Changes in Matter" to "Sound" (Chapter 13). The kids have enjoyed learning about how sound is produced, how it travels, and the way we measure sounds. We have been able to see the various waves produced by different sounds, and learned about the ways frequency, amplitude and wavelength affect pitch.