



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
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Friday Newsletter: 05/05/2023



5th Grade

Teacher's Message/Announcements

- **No mass on Tuesday, 5/9. Students do not need to wear formal uniforms.**
- Spring Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) testing will take place during the weeks of May 15th and 22nd. Fifth grade reading MAP will be held on Wednesday, May 17, and math MAP will be held on Thursday, May 18. 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 make-ups 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.
- 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 (j.furin@cvillecatholic.org) and sign up so that our students have this wonderful opportunity.
- The art show will also take place next week, May 8-12. The art show open house will be held on Wednesday, May 10 from 4:00=7:00. Please attend to see what talented students we have and how hard they worked all year!

- Our traditional Grandparents and Great Friends Day will return on Friday, May 12! There will be 2 sessions for visits–JK through 2nd grade at 8:30AM, and 3rd through 5th grades at 10:30AM. Those visiting multiple students are welcome to attend both sessions. Please fill out this RSVP form no later than today, Friday, May 5 so that we can properly plan for the day.
 - <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeYIPtB-R59Ivdcr8CaG58Kq8VIsrQ-d2berQKn2mO9h2qSlw/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

Calendar/Important Dates

- **Wednesday, 5/10:** Spelling/Vocabulary test on words from *The Phantom Tollbooth*, chapters 10-20
- **Friday, 5/12:** Earth and Moon TEST

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Social Studies

Last week we learned about the Industrial Revolution. This week we will be learning about slavery and abolitionists.

Math

We have been working on measurement with conversions. We will begin our unit on mean, median, mode, charts and graphs.

*Students will need to complete (mastery level) Khan Academy *Add and Subtract Fractions*, *Multiplying Fractions*, and *Algebraic Thinking* by the end of the 4th quarter.

* Please practice the basic multiplication facts at home or in the car coming to and from school. Knowing your multiplication facts is a vital skill that students will be needing for success in math in school and in daily life.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week students continued to read *The Phantom Tollbooth*. They also completed the pre-write portion of the writing project connected to the novel. Students also received a new list of spelling/vocabulary words.

Next week, we will continue reading *The Phantom Tollbooth*, will continue to focus heavily on the writing project, and will have a test on Wednesday on the new spelling/vocabulary words. We will also begin diagramming sentences next week and will have a quiz on that material the following week.

Students only have one paper-based IRA for the fourth quarter, which is due on Friday, May 26; this is a change from the original due date of May 25. We will work on that in-class next week, as well.

Religion

This week we continued our unit on The Beatitudes. Students focused on the meaning of the third and fourth Beatitudes and continued to work on the unit project that will be due when we complete this unit in one to two weeks. Students also had a recitation quiz on the first four Beatitudes this week, and they will have a test on all of them when we complete the unit.

Science

We have been learning about stars, seasons, day and night, the moon, and centripetal force. We had multiple mini labs on Friday. We will be completing our unit on the earth and moon this week.