

Charlottesville Catholic School Specialist Newsletter

Important Upcoming Reminders

Date	Event	
5/9- 5:30-7:30	CCS Art Show Open House	
5/10-9AM	JK-2 Spring Concert	*Students in formal dress
5/11 - 9 AM	3-5 Spring Concert	*Students in formal dress
5/12-14 - 7 PM	Annie, Jr.	
5/23	All books returned to the library	

Library - Mrs. Banaszak <u>m.banaszak@cvillecatholic.org</u>

As we round the corner to the end of the year, I would like to ask that you help your children find their overdue books or pay to replace copies that have been lost throughout the year. All books are due back to the library by May 23. This allows time to inventory our collection.

In JK-1st grades, we are finishing the year with books about kindness and friendship!

2nd graders are currently finishing <u>Tut Tut</u> by Jon Scieszka.

3rd graders are finishing the year with short stories.

4th graders are learning about the Middle Ages and reading <u>Whipping Boy</u> by Sid Fleischman.

5th graders are learning about the Holocaust and the history of Denmak in the story, <u>Number the Stars</u> by Lois Lowry.

Thank you for all of your support this year! I am grateful for two successful book fairs and for the newly implemented "Coin Challenge" fundraiser! The children were so zealous with this competition that we were able to purchase all of the books in the teacher's wish lists as well as purchase books to donate to Greer elementary! You are a blessing!



PE - Mr. Frazier <u>a.frazier@cvillecatholic.org</u>

The end of the year is no longer approaching, it is actually here and it is upon us! I want to highlight a few happenings in PE, athletics, and in our community as we wrap up.

PE: k-2 is continuing to learn new cooperative activities that require social interaction and a bit of teamwork. They are also being introduced to Fitness Testing and learning about goal setting. We are reviewing proper body movements in order to achieve certain physical movements. 3-5 is going through a second round of various fitness tests and we are discussing goal setting and achievement. We are discussing personal goals and comparing them to life goals, understanding that we may not always achieve what we want, but using our fitness testing benchmarks to understand that having a goal is the first step as it drives our motivation to achieve and understand where we are. MS is also going through a second round of fitness test but they complete all six tests (Mile, pacer, sit-up, push-up, pull-up, flexed-arm hang, and the sit-and-reach test.) Each day when we complete a particular test, we are spending the time doing cooperative group activities, we are trying to sprinkle in some FUN and finish on a high note.

-PE next week 5/9-5/13: We will not have access to the gym given the Art Show and all other events taking place in the gym. We will spend some time in the stem lab going over some various health topics as well as utilize the space outside.

Athletics: Track and field has had a phenomenal first year with one meet remaining. The final meet is taking place on Thursday May 12th, 5:00 PM at Lannigan Field (UVA Track.) Congrats to Coach Jones and Team on all their hard work in a first year program without an actual "track." Girls soccer finished their season yesterday and fell short in their finale. However, their electric season is not to be remembered by how it finished but by how it was played. They were 9-1 and had a few 5th graders on the team this year to help achieve that mark. Congrats Coach Osteen and team on an awesome year.

Community: FIELD DAY... it is back! Parents, As I wrap up field day plans, please let me know if you have any interest in volunteering, assisting, providing snacks, drinks, etc. All help will be welcomed. PK-6th will partake in field day activities. I will run field day as an "operations" type of manager and I will have 7th graders and potential parents as the ones who will run individual games and stations. Field day is going to take place Wednesday June 1 and will most likely begin around 9AM and last through the lunch hours. We will have more specific information coming to you soon.

Thank you all - Let's finish strong!

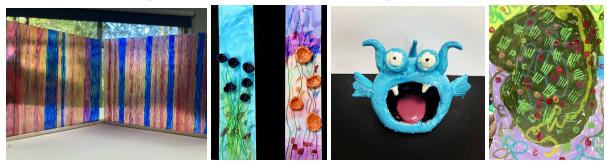
Art - Mrs. Devlin <u>v.devlin@cvillecatholic.org</u>



Please join the CCS community on Monday, May 9th from 5:30 - 7:30 in celebration of the creative work our students have done this year. The students are SO excited to share with you their art. Enjoy family friendly make-and-take Art activities, leave compliment cards for your favorite artists, and tour the student galleries. All students will have work displayed and the show will remain hanging throughout the week and will be available to see during the Spring Concerts.

Big thanks to all those who have already given their time to help prepare the work for display. The big day for hanging the show is tomorrow, Saturday May 7th. Thanks to the volunteers who have committed their time to assisting in this large effort. We couldn't do it without you!

Here are a few recently finished pieces which will be displayed next week:



Music - Ms. Howard <u>s.howard@cvillecatholic.org</u>

Hello from the music room! (and sometimes the gym this week)

We have been preparing for the Spring Concert which is just a few days away! Tuesday is our JK-2nd grade performance at 9 AM. We will be presenting songs about Spring! Wednesday is our 3-5th grade performance at 9 AM. We will be performing songs to help us look ahead to summer time!

Both groups will be performing beautiful songs to Mary or traditional hymns as well.

Looking ahead, we have some musical games and songs to end our year and celebrate spring and sunshine for our younger grades, and a continuation of ukuleles with our older elementary grades.

I hope you can join us for this wonderful concert experience! The students have worked very hard to learn and perform them. Hope to see you Tuesday and Wednesday at 9 AM in the gym!

Spanish - Mrs. Osteen j.osteen@cvillecatholic.org

Over the past few weeks we have been covering clothing. Students have learned how to talk about what they are wearing and we have worked on describing the colors of clothing. We then spent some time reviewing the verb gustar which means "to like" or "to be pleasing". Students practiced talking about things they do and do not like. Finally this week we talked about Cinco de Mayo and the origins of this holiday and what it really is about. Check out <u>Cinco de Mayo History</u> if you would like to learn more!