



Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

5th Grade
05/09/2025



Teacher's Message/Announcements:

- Next Wednesday, we have MAP testing (Math). 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.

Calendar/Important Dates:

Wednesday, May 14: MAP testing -math

Thursday, May 15: Test on the vocabulary/spelling words from *The Phantom Tollbooth*, Chapters 6-9

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Reading, Writing, and Theology

Math, Science, and Social Studies

Important School Announcements

- Spring MAP Growth Assessment will be taken on 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 May Crowning will be held on Tuesday, May 13 during Mass. At the beginning of Mass, all students will present flowers to Mary. **Each student is asked to bring in one (1) long-stemmed flower that morning.**

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. We will be completing a big timeline project for the major events of the Civil War.

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](https://www.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 first half of the novel. They also received a project connected to this novel (the Dodecahedron Project), which will be due when we finish reading the book. Students also turned in the rough drafts of their research papers, and received a new list of spelling/vocabulary words.

Next week, we will work on the revised drafts of the research paper, continue to read *The Phantom Tollbooth*, and have a test on the spelling/vocabulary words.

The fourth quarter IRA is due Friday, May 23.

Theology

This week, we continued our unit on the Beatitudes. Students had a quiz on the first four Beatitudes this week and continued to work on the unit-long project. We will focus on the last four Beatitudes next week and will have a quiz on those the following week.

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). Travis Koshko, CBS 19 weatherman, is coming to our class to present on Wednesday, May 14th.