Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

4th Grade 8/27/2021

Message from 4th grade Team

Hello CCS parents,

Good afternoon 4th Grade Families! We had a wonderful time getting to know our new students and introducing ourselves and our subjects this week! It was a fantastic way to start our year and we are so excited to have a full week next week.

If you have any questions, please let us know. Have a wonderful weekend!

4th Grade Team

Announcements

- Please be mindful of absences! (appointments, trips, etc)
- We have a Blue/Gold Day on Monday (8/30).
- As we have several students with peanut allergies in 4th grade, we are a peanut free grade level. That includes snacks, lunches, and any other form of food.
- The Math Performance Series test will be this Thursday, 9/2 at 8:15 am.
- The Reading Performance Series test will be this Friday, 9/3 at 9:30 am.
- Please be sure your child gets a good night's sleep and eats a hearty breakfast before PS testing. :)

Next Week

- In Language Arts, we will begin our first novel, "The Tiger Rising". I am very excited and I am sure that your children will be as well!
- In Social Studies, we will continue to do a few projects such as creating maps and learning the difference between primary and secondary sources.
- In Math, we will continue Chapter 1 on place value.
- In Science we will continue to explore skills and tools for inquiry, the Scientific Method and the Engineering Design Process.
- In Religion we will continue through Unit 1. We are studying what we believe as Catholics. We will then move into Unit 2, looking closely at ways we celebrate what we believe.

Week in Review

Language Arts

In Language Arts this week, students were able to write journal entries and create posters in which they introduce themselves and get to know one another.

Students will also begin their nightly reading logs next week. This will be in their homework folder. Students are expected to read and fill out their reading log nightly Monday through Friday.

Social Studies

In Social Studies this week, students learned all about growth mindset! We read inspirational stories, created goals, and had discussions on why it's ok to make mistakes and the importance of persevering through challenges.

Students will be using one of their poster boards for their Map presentation next week. Please bring a poster board to school on Monday.

Math

In Math this week we reviewed skills of place value, rounding and comparing numbers, and reading and writing multi-digit numbers. Students were able to recall place-value fundamentals of the ones, tens and hundreds to apply these skills and operate with numbers exceeding the hundred thousands place. Our introductory math activity pushed our critical thinking skills as we brainstormed to create posters with 10 basic facts that could be used to describe ourselves.
Science
In Science this week we enjoyed learning about the tools and skills of inquiry. We learned about various tools of measurement, and ways we make observations, infer, and hypothesize to set up an experiment. We enjoyed our name tag and roller coaster engineering design challenges this week- better understanding what it means to think like a Scientist each day.
Religion
This week in Religion we enjoyed visiting the Chapel. We talked about the fundamental beliefs we share as Catholics, and ways we come to know God through his Divine Revelation. Students were able to engage with journal entries and introductory activities that introduced themselves and helped them get to know one another.