

# Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

5th Grade 08/27/2021

## Teacher's Message/Announcements

- It has been a great first week in 5th grade! We have some important events coming up:
  - **Monday, August 30th** is our first Blue and Gold day
  - **Thursday, September 2nd** is the Math Performance Series Test
  - **Friday, September 3rd** is the Language Arts Performance Series Test  
Please make sure that Thursday and Friday your children come to school well-rested and have had a good breakfast.
- We will have our first Mass on Friday, Sept. 3. This year, students must be in formal dress for Mass days; please check the student handbook for the appropriate uniforms.
- Please be sure your child comes to school everyday with the following:
  - a water bottle (which can be refilled throughout the day)
  - a clean mask
  - any utensils (spoon or fork) needed for the snack or lunch they bring that day

### Upcoming Tests and Independent Projects:

- **Monday, August 30:** Math Skills Inventory Test
- **Wednesday, Sept. 1:** Grammar quiz on common and proper nouns
- **Thursday, Sept. 2:** Social Studies- Personal Timeline (mostly an in-class project)
- **Thursday, Sept. 2:** Math Performance Series Test
- **Friday, Sept. 3:** Reading Performance Series Test

## Math

This week we worked on writing numerals correctly. We shared Math About Me as a way to learn more about our classmates. We have started reviewing some math skills. Next week we will start reviewing place value from billions to the thousandths place.

## Science

This week we worked on team building, and completed a text scavenger hunt to familiarize ourselves with the text format and features. Students also worked on a poster about lab safety. Next week we will begin our unit on Life Science.

## Social Studies

We have been learning classroom procedures and getting to know our classmates. We started a Personal Timeline project that will be due September 2nd. Please ask your child to share the project page with you and the rubric. Next week we will begin our study of the colonization of America.

## Language Arts

This week we discussed our summer reading and took a virtual tour/scavenger hunt through the Metropolitan Museum of Art. We also took the first spelling inventory. Next week, we will start our unit on nouns with a review of common and proper nouns, and there will be a quiz on that material on Wednesday. Students will also get the first set of spelling/vocabulary words and will have a test on that material the following week (after Labor Day). We will start our year reading a few short stories before we turn to our first novel study, which is *Wonder*. If you have not purchased that novel yet, please do so by Tuesday, Sept. 7.

***When you check FACTS for your child's language arts homework, all homework for reading, writing/grammar, and spelling will be listed under the reading tab so you only need to check one place.***

## Religion

We have been learning about classroom procedures and getting to know our classmates. We created a Quilt square to hang in our classroom to display the qualities that make us unique and connect us as a class and grade. We began our study of the Liturgical Calendar which we will continue next week.