

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

4th Grade August 30, 2024

Dear 4th Grade Families,

We had a wonderful week in 4th grade and hope you did as well! This was our first full week of school and we had a great time challenging our students and helping them settle into our routines. We will continue this work upon our return to school next week.

Thank you for all you do and please reach out to us if you have any questions. Have a fantastic weekend!

All the best, 4th Grade Team

Announcements

- Monday, September 2- School Closed (Labor Day)
- We will be having our MAP test in reading on Wednesday, September 4.
- Back to School Night is coming! Please join us Wednesday, September 4 at 6 pm.
- Here's a link to our Fall clubs. <u>Link</u>
- A great way for us to help our students become collaborators and leaders is to encourage them to participate in the mass choir. This year, we are inviting students in grades 3 through 8 to sign up. Below is a link for the sign up and a few items of note:
 - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C44ACAA2DA31-50743257-ma
 ss
 - Students may sign up for as many masses as they would like.
 - Mass choir is open to students in grades 3 through 8.
 - Students should be dropped off at 7:40 so that there is time to practice. If you are running late and arrive after 7:45, you must go through the carline.

- Siblings may be dropped off as well. They will need to sit quietly up front until the bell rings at 7:45.
- Students will also be practicing mass music in class.
- While you should receive a reminder email from signupgenius, please make note of the dates you sign up for.
- If you must cancel at the last minute, please email Ms. Wisbey at k.wisbey@cvillecatholic.org.

Important Dates

- Monday, September 2- School Closed (Labor Day)
- Wednesday, September 4- MAP Test (Reading)/Back to School Night (Elementary 6 pm)
- Friday, September 6- Blue & Gold Day

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Social Studies

This week in SS, students continued to learn and read about having a growth mindset. We have learned about perseverance and that learning challenging things is good for us!

Students also learned about the importance of maps and created a map of a place of their choosing. This was a very engaging activity where students could be creative! The final draft of this project is due next Wednesday, September 4.

Science

This week in Science, we discussed how things are organized and learned about the difference in plant and animal cells. The students labeled the parts of the cells and compared them to each other. We also began an experiment to dye flowers with food coloring, which will tie into what we will be learning next week.

Math

This week in Math, we began our unit on place value. Students have been working with numbers up to one hundred thousand. We have added the millions period and practiced reading, writing, and comparing numbers within this period. Next week we will finish up place value and begin our unit review.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week in LA, students finished *Tales of a 4th Grade Nothing*. They really enjoyed this story! Students also began to learn how to write in cursive and practice their grammar skills.

Next week, we will begin our next novel, *The Tiger Rising*. This is a wonderful story that I'm sure you'll be hearing all about soon!

Theology

This week in Theology, we discussed how to prepare for Mass and celebrated the first Mass of the year. We also learned about Divine Revelation and Sacred Scripture. Using these topics, the students participated in a discussion where they could share their ideas and thoughts on both things.