



**Charlottesville  
Catholic School**  
*Christ Community Scholars*

# Charlottesville Catholic School

## Friday Newsletter

### First Grade

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#### Upcoming Dates:

- **Monday, September 4-** School closed for Labor Day
- **Tuesday, September 5-** Mass 8:15 (All students must be in formal dress)
- **Thursday, September 7-** Back to School Night
- **Thursday, September 7-** Math MAP Test

#### Announcements:

It was another fabulous week in first grade. The students performed well on their MAP testing, we had our first official fire drill of the year, and our first Mass together as a school. Please be sure to join us for Back to School Night on Thursday next week at 6:00pm for more information about our school year!

We are excited to announce our fall Archangel Clubs offerings for our students. We hope to see our students engage in these opportunities so that Charlottesville Catholic School can continue to grow its after-school programming. [Click here for more information on current offerings.](#)

## Social Studies

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This week we introduced our journal as well as more routines and procedures.

## Math

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This week we talked about how math is not just counting, but is all around us - in baking, music, traveling, etc. We discovered that we all have math superpowers that will help us as we explore

mathematical concepts in the coming year.

## Language Arts/Reading/Writing

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This week we continued to discuss/practice procedures and routines during language arts/reading time. We reviewed letters (consonants and vowels), parts of a book, author and illustrator, and setting. Students began writing sentences in their writing journals in response to our reading, as well as practicing handwriting skills (e.g., letter formation and names), spelling, and word work skills. Next week, we will focus on setting and introduce nouns.

## Theology

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In Theology this week, we talked about the importance of self-control as we prepared for Mass. We learned that the Bible is God's holy word and that there are two parts to the Bible, as well as four gospels. We read Jesus' parable of the wise man who built his house upon the rock and related it to the importance of knowing God's Word.

## Science

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This week we made our interactive science journal where we will record everything we will learn this year. We talked about what science is and what a scientist is.

## Other Information

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### **Snack (8:45/9:00)/ Lunch (11:50)**

Please include a snack with your child's lunch everyday along with a filled spill proof water bottle. Please be mindful of the food that you are packing. Our first grade classrooms are nut free, so double check labels. Nuts are okay to bring into the cafeteria for lunch time this year!

### **Specials Schedule**

Monday - Art and Music    Tuesday - Library & Mass    Wednesday - P.E.

Thursday-Library    Friday - Music

### **Dress Uniform**

Boys - Blue pants, white dress shirt, CCS tie/bowtie, black school shoes, and blue or black socks  
NO white.

Girls- Plaid jumper, solid dark shorts underneath, white peter pan collared shirt, navy knee socks NO white or black knee socks, and black school shoes.

### **Homework (M-TH)**

There was no homework this week. Moving forward, weekly homework can be found in student binders. Homework will consist of nightly reading for 15 minutes (suggested) and practice saying prayers for 5 min (suggested). Math, Writing, and Word Study homework may also be assigned nightly for around 5-10 minutes each.

Please, no more than 25 minutes a night. Reading is the MOST important homework and should be done EVERY night!