

# Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

Kindergarten 9/10/21

## Message from Kindergarten

Thank you to all those who came to Back to School Night! It was so nice to see you. Thank you for sharing. We have enjoyed getting to know your child.

The best way to contact me is by email. Have a great weekend!

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Students are learning to be more independent. Please continue to encourage self help skills at home when possible such as: tucking in shirts, fastening belts, opening containers and packages, folding towels, cleaning up, straightening, putting things away, and putting on coats, mittens, and hats.

Homework: Kindergarten homework for first semester is to listen to a parent read a story each day. This is an important part of building student vocabulary. It is difficult to read a word that you have never heard. Students will also practice reading decodable books as they are sent home. Please have your child do any learning activities that come home (such as the Chicka Chicka Boom Boom Rhyming activity and other games.) Please practice rhyming at home.

Please label everything that you would like returned to your house. Over the years, we have had a very high rate of return for misplaced items that were clearly labeled.

## Announcements

Just a few reminders...

- -Please make sure your child eats a good breakfast. We have snack at 10:30 and lunch at 12:30.
- -Please send a lanyard, a clip, or discuss a plan to help your child keep up with his or her mask. Please send an extra mask.

Important Dates:

- 9/24 Jk-5 11:30 dismissal
- 10/11 Teacher work day
- 10/22 11:30 dismissal

STEAM Discovery Academy offers fun and educational programs to explore science. Please see the link if interested in participating. <https://www.steamda.com/school-year-programs>

## Next Week

We will continue building numerical fluency with numbers 1-10. We will be learning to read and write sight words and continue going through our alphabet book.

## Week in Review

### Religion

We read a Bible story each day, prayed, learned about animals in the Bible, and talked about Noah and Abraham.

### Science

We made pom pom launchers in science using paper tube rolls and balloons. We talked about force. Students also traced their hands and feet onto construction paper and made Humpty Dumpty. The poem, which has four of the week 1 sight words, was attached.

We learned that bees communicate through dancing. A sleep deprived bee may not be able to perform the waggle dance correctly which will result in an inaccurate description of the direction and distance of the food source. Like the bees, we all need to get enough sleep so it doesn't throw off our "hive."

### Math

We continued our Math Journals this week. Each day we graph the weather for the day, add a number to our September calendar, draw a circle in our 180 day ten frame chart, and color in a number in our 100s chart. We did a few pages in our math books each day and played a game with dice in which we rolled, drew a picture of the die, wrote the number rolled, and wrote one more and/or one less than that number.

### Language Arts

We started sight words this week: a, and, I, the, to. Students played “quick draw” to see how fast they could find the sight word on their paper. Students practiced writing a, and, I, the, to. We practiced Read to Self.

Song: See it, Say it, Sign it <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WP1bIVh1ZQM>