



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

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Friday Newsletter

Junior Kindergarten September 15, 2023

Teacher's Message/Announcements

On your mark. Get set - [REGISTER!](#) Registration for our annual 5K and Fun Run is OPEN! Grab your tickets today. You won't want to miss out on this fantastic family event! Register early to ensure your Fun Run t-shirt arrives in time for the big day!

There are lots of ways that you can help at the 5K and Fun Run on Saturday, October 7. Please see the Sign Up Genius below for all of the different opportunities. We need many volunteers to make sure this event is a success!
[5K & Fun Run Volunteer Sign Up](#)

Calendar/Important Dates

Back to School Picnic - Saturday September 16th at 4:00.

Emails

Ms. Shank: c.shank@cvillecatholic.org

Ms. Wawner: v.wawner@cvillecatholic.org

Science/Social Studies

Ms. Wawner's class continued our unit on the 5 senses this week by investigating sound and touch. We played "Guess That Sound", went on a listening walk, and created telephones. We also practiced describing the texture of objects and had a mystery box full of items we had to guess through touch. We will finish our 5 Senses unit next week with smell and taste. Ms. Shank's class performed lots of fun experiments in our matter unit. They were handed a container with water and soap. They blew bubbles and had to determine what was the liquid and what was the gas. They also made Oobleck. This substance can change from a liquid to a solid with the squeeze of a hand. We did some sorting of objects into liquids, solids, and gasses. We will be working on things that sink and float next week and exploring the concept of density.

Math

Ms. Shank's class will continue working on numbers 1-10, both recognizing the numbers and one to one correspondence by making sets. We are also sequencing numbers with ice scoops. Ms. Wawner's class is also working on numbers 1-10. In addition to math activities, we practice counting and comparing numbers every morning during our Question of the Day.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Ms. Wawner's class learned about the letter A this week. We are working on letter and sound identification as well as penmanship. We learned how the letter a has two sounds. We read books and sang songs featuring A, and created the letter using different materials. Next week we will focus on T. We read the book "Cookies Week" and worked on sequencing in order to help us remember the days of the week. Our students are well on their way to being able to read a calendar and say the whole date. Ms. Shank's class finished our Mo Willems author study. Next week we will complete an author study of Laura Numeroff who wrote the "If You Give a Mouse a (cookie, donut, muffin, i.e.) The students will be sequencing and integrating that into our math study of numbers. We worked on the letter S, sorting pictures that begin with the S sound. We made the letter S out of playdough and used dot markers to make the letter S. We ended our week creating a letter S craft of a snake. Our next letter study will be letter A. We will also talk about the difference between a consonant and a vowel.

Theology

Ms. Shank's class practiced memorizing the "Our Father" and the "Hail Mary". We made prayer pockets for the students to bring home so that they can practice. We continue to visit our Chapel and will continue to do so on a weekly basis. We are practicing how to behave appropriately in the house of God. We usually start our visit with a reading from the Children's bible that fits with our religious education unit followed by some prayers.

Ms. Wawner's class talked about God's love this week and how it is infinite. We talked about prayer and how it is having a conversation with God. We also made prayer pockets and will be practicing prayers in the coming weeks.

Other News

- We continue to practice rules and routines. We are working on simple things like how to glue, ("A dab, a dab, a dab will do. Any more is too much glue"), how to hold and cut with scissors. We are also working on taking responsibility and learning how to clean up after ourselves.
- We practiced severe weather drills as well as a lockdown drill in preparation for school-wide drills next week.
- Thank you to those who were able to attend Back to School night. For those who were unable to attend we will be sending home a packet with information.
- Please remember to check the red folder each day. You may take out the completed work
- For safety purposes, students should wear tennis shoes to school.

Nurse's Note

To be prepared for Kindergarten entrance requirements, please make sure to have the Commonwealth of Virginia School Entrance Health form completed. Print the form and have it with you for your child's next check-up/physical. Make sure that an up to date immunization record is attached. If you have any questions, please contact the school nurse at clinic@cvillecatholic.org.