

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

1st Grade 9/17/2021

Teacher's Message/Announcements

Teacher Emails

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Upcoming Dates:

- Wednesday, September 15th - Friday, October 15th - National Hispanic Heritage Month (First Grade will be learning about Guatemala)
- Friday, September 24th - Mass (Students should be in formal dress uniforms)
See below for a breakdown of proper dress uniform **11:30 dismissal (Jk-5)**

Math

This week we focused on place value, specifically tens and ones, and building to make a ten (to 50). We used manipulatives, drew pictures, played games, and incorporated other counting and grouping strategies as well. Next week we will continue with place value, but will take numbers up to 99.

Reading and Language Arts

Reading

This week we read and discussed the story, *Honey...Honey...Lion!* Our focus was on retelling. We broke up the story into Beginning, Middle, and End and highlighted the most important parts. Next week we will read *Make Way for Ducklings* and focus on describing characters.

Grammar

This week we focused on Singular Nouns (The box is big, the dog runs, the baby cries). Next week we will focus on Sentence Structure, continue with Nouns, and introduce Verbs and Adjectives.

Word Study/Spelling

This week Mr. Little began teaching both First Grade classes Word Study/Spelling. We practiced sorting our words, learned about the Weekly Spelling Menu, and took our first spelling quiz. Next week students will receive a new word sort (spelling list).

Writing

This week we wrote about *Honey...Honey...Lion!*, a story about a selfish Badger who learns a valuable lesson about sharing and teamwork. We also introduced/practiced Daily 5 writing activities.

Religion

This week Mrs. Milnor began teaching both First Grade classes Religion. Prayer lapbooks will be coming home with the children. We have worked so hard on them and this would be a great way to practice prayers when we introduce Religion homework. Next week we will talk about faith basics- the church's 5 seasons, God's creations, Adam and Eve and the sign of the cross. We will also start working on a Religion interactive notebook.

Science/ Social Studies

This week we introduced our science interactive notebook. We discussed how scientists use notebooks to write down questions, answers, information, and observations. This helps them to understand the world around them. We talked about how we will treat our science notebook and then completed our first page which talked about super senses- how we use different body parts for different senses.

Homework (M - Th)

This week we introduced Word Study/Spelling Homework. Students should sort their words each night as well as complete 3 activities total of their choosing from the Weekly Spelling Menu (M - Th). Students should continue to read for 15 min./night. Please record the title of the book that was read each night. Additionally, for each completed book, your child will color in their reading log for the month (e.g., September books = apples). Don't forget the monthly reading challenge that was included in the binder as well. These activities are designed to motivate readers/encourage students to have fun with reading. It's optional, but highly recommended.

Stay Tuned for Math & Religion.

Notes From The Classroom

Snack (8:30)/ Lunch(11:30)

Please include a snack with your child's lunch everyday along with a filled spill proof water bottle. Just as a reminder we cannot give out food or plastic utensils to children this year. Also, please be mindful of the food that you are packing. Both First Grade classrooms are nut free, so double check labels. ***Please make sure that water bottles only contain water. We have had a few juice/ sports drink spills and they become rather messy.***

Masks

We cannot give out extra masks to students either. Please make sure to pack an extra mask or two in your child's bag.

Specials Schedule

Monday - Library Tuesday - Art Wednesday - Art and Music

Thursday-P.E. and Music Friday - Mass and Library

CCS School Calendar (August - December 2021)

[CCS School Calendar August-December 2021](#)

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.

Monthly Scholastic Book Orders

<https://clubs.scholastic.com>

Mrs. Milnor - LKHF3

Mr. Little - JBPQ2