

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

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Teacher's Message/Announcements

- We had a great week in fifth grade! MAP testing went well, and we are starting to get into a good routine.
- We're looking forward to seeing everyone at Back-to-School Night on Wednesday, September 7. It will start at 6:00 in the gym.
- We are still searching for a room parent for Ms. Samley's homeroom. If you are interested, please email Melissa Lawhorn at melissaalawhorn@gmail.com. Thank you for considering this!
- We are excited to be going on field trips this year and are looking forward to having parent chaperones help with that! To chaperone a field trip, you must be VIRTUS-trained. We will be offering a training session at CCS on Monday, September 19 from 5:00-8:00. To register for that training, please use the following link: https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme=0
- Enjoy the three-day weekend! We'll see everyone on Tuesday.

Upcoming assessments:

- **Wednesday, September 7:** Quiz on common and proper nouns
- **Thursday, September 8:** Spelling test on high-frequency words, list #1

Math

This week we worked on place value in math. We will be working on mastering our multiplication table 0-12 and doubles by the end of the 1st quarter. Please practice the basic multiplication facts at home or in the car coming to and from school.

Next week we will be working on decimals, fractions and models that show place value.

Science

This week we started learning about lab safety and scientific tools.

Next week we will work with spring scales and balance scales.

Social Studies

This week we learned about the origins of Labor Day and began to discuss culture, history and economics as general concepts..

Next week we will start talking about native Americans, early exploration and colonization of America to set the stage for our learning this year about the start of America.

Language Arts

This week we read our first short story from the *Journeys* anthology, and we focused on the structure of a story. Students also received their first set of spelling words. This list consists of 15 high-frequency words. We also started our first topic in grammar: common and proper nouns.

Next week we will reread the same selection from *Journeys*, but we will focus on point of view. There will also be a quiz on common/proper nouns on Wednesday and a spelling test on Thursday.

Religion

This week we worked on a group project on the parts of the Mass and recited the CCS daily prayers for a test grade.

Next week, we will complete the unit on the parts of the Mass and will be ready for a test on that material the week of September 12.