

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

Kindergarten 9/2/22

Message from Kindergarten

We have had a good second week. Students are learning routines. We did a lot of Chicka Chicka Boom Boom activities. Students did a rhyming activity, letter matching, and number recognition.

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

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From the Library!

Dear Parents,

This year your child will visit the library for 30 minutes twice each week (Thursdays and Fridays). We will spend time this year learning about libraries, parts of a book, authors and illustrators. We will also learn about fables and nursery rhymes, read wordless picture books and ABC books. Many stories will be read in combination with finger plays, songs, poems and other activities that reinforce the skills pre-readers need to become super readers!

For the next few weeks we are going to learn how to take care of books and how to check a book out from the library:

Use clean hands when reading your book and keep food and drinks away from books.

Use careful hands when turning pages.

Keep your book in a safe place away from small brothers and sisters and hungry pets!

Your library book should “live” in your backpack- take it out to read it at home and put it right back.

Bring your library books back every Thursday or Friday so that you can choose new books from the library!

Thank you for your help with reinforcing these book care guidelines. Enjoy reading with your child!

“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.” Dr. Seuss

Announcements

Please make sure you sign up for the 5k and Children's Fun Run.

<https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/Charlottesville/CharlottesvilleCatholicSchool20thAnnual5k>

If you are interested in playing or putting together a foursome, contact Colleen Smith at c.smith@cvillecatholic.org

<https://runsignup.com/TicketEvent/CharlottesvilleCatholicSchoolGolfTournament>

Just a few reminders...

- -Please make sure your child eats a good breakfast. We have snack at 10:15 and lunch at 11:50.

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- --Initial your child's folder each evening.
- -Make sure your daughter is wearing shorts under her jumper.
- -Send in headphones if you have not already done so.

Important Dates:

- 9/1 Thursday Mass (students must be in their formal dress uniforms)
- 9/2 Blue and Gold Day
- 9/5 School Closed (Labor Day)
- 9/7 Back to School night (Parents only) 6:00
- 9/24 Back to School Picnic
- 10/1 The 5K
- 10/3 CCS Golf Tournament
- 10/7 Blue & Gold day
- 10/10 School closed- teacher work day
- 10/14 PTO Movie Night
- 10/21 School closed- student/teacher holiday
- 11/1 All Saints Day- Mass
- 11/3 11:30 dismissal Parent/teacher conferences
- 11/4 School closed - Parent/teacher conferences
- 11/23-11-25 School Closed- Thanksgiving Break
- 11/28 Winter Dress begins
- 12/2 Blue & Gold
- 12/14 Christmas Concert
- 12/16 11:30 Dismissal
- 12/19-30 Christmas break

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

If you would like to volunteer in the classroom, please let us know.

Back to School Night: Wednesday, September 7

Elementary School, Wednesday, September 7th

- 6:00 - Meet in the gym for a Principal's Address with Mrs. Fallica
 - *The information provided by homeroom teachers in Session I and Session II are identical. We provide two sessions for families having multiple children. Each session is 20 minutes long.*
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- 6:30 - Session 1
- 7:00 - Session 2

Celebrate the Star of the Week!

During the kindergarten school year each child will have the opportunity to be a star! Please review how our week works and the schedule on the back. Mark your calendar! We will do our best to remind you the week before your child's turn comes up. Thanks for your help with this. It is a great program that promotes self-confidence and self-worth. ☺

Monday: Star Share

The Star Student sends in pictures on a poster about their life to share with our class. Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Draper love to see their students' baby pictures. You may also send this digitally and we will show it on the screen.

Tuesday: Special Snack

Send a special snack that your child loves. Most of the dates scheduled are near birthdays or half birthdays so a special birthday treat for your child would be nice. We **cannot have anything with peanut products or anything homemade**. Please see the approved snack list. All treats must be store bought, individually wrapped, and in a box or bag that has not been opened. (example: individual packs of oreos or goldfish)

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/discover-myplate-nutrition-education-kindergarten>

<https://snacksafely.com/safe-snack-guide>

Wednesday: Show and Tell Day!

Your child may bring in a special item for Show and Tell. This is a special time for students to share their hobbies or interests with their friends. This may also be presented in digital format.

Note: No toy weapons please. ☺

Thursday

This is a time when someone special to your child can read one-two of your child's favorite books. You may come and read in person or send a recording to share with the class. Choose books that you and your child love to read together.

Friday: This is for any day that requires a make up due to absence, snow day, or school holidays.

* Note: If your child has food allergies, please arrange with your teacher to have a parent supplied snack supply available for these occasions. We want all children to be included in the celebration.

Next Week

We will continue building numerical fluency with numbers 1-10. We will begin learning to read and write sight words.

Please send in a Paper towel tube and a small plastic bottle in a gallon size bag with your child's name on it by Wednesday.

Week in Review

Religion

We have been talking about the Story of Creation and have been saying our prayers. We colored things that God created and listened to a song about the days of creation. We talked about how God made each of us special. We started our My All About Me book.

Science

We talked about force and motion. We went to the science lab and made pom pom shooters. We also made a balloon rocket with string, straw, and a balloon.

Math

We glued our September calendar and weather graph into our Math notebooks this week. Each day we graph the weather for the day, add a number to our September calendar, color in our 180 day ten frame chart, and color in a number in our 100s chart.

Language Arts

Students did several fun activities centered around the books Chicka Chicka Boom Boom and Chicka Chicka 123. Activities related to letter recognition and matching, rhyming, and number recognition.

We read the first book in the alphabet series Little ___ Had a Box. After reading each book, students will practice writing the corresponding letter and draw pictures in their alphabet journal that begin with that specific letter such as fire, fence, five, fork for Little F Had a Box.

Handwriting

Students are working on pencil grip.

Songs and story links:

Creation song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nY2W4nOD_x8

Who Stole the Cookie? <https://video.link/w/f9p0d>

["Jesus Loves Me" by Listener Kids - YouTube](#)

[This Land Is Your Land \(Lyric Video\) | Let Freedom Ring \[Simple Series for Kids\] -](#)

[Bing video](#)