



Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

5th Grade

9/20/24



Teacher's Message/Announcements:

- Fifth grade will be preparing Mass for next Tuesday, September 24. It will be Mrs. Sperry's class that will be doing this Mass; Ms. Samley's class will be preparing Mass on December 3.
- We are coming up on our first field trip, October 17 to UVA for a concert by the symphony orchestra. Permission slips are in this week's Friday Folder. If your child has your permission to go to this event, please return the permission slip by next Friday, September 27.
- This week, we continued using Edmentum, a program that is designed to address individual students' learning needs. To use this program, students need to have headphones, so if you have not yet gotten your child headphones, please do so as soon as possible. If this is a financial hardship, please contact Mrs. Devane.

Calendar/Important Dates:

Tuesday, September 24th: SE Region TEST

Thursday, September 26th: Math TEST (Decimals and Estimation)

Friday, September 27: Permission slips for UVA Symphony Concert are due

Friday, September 27: Quiz on sentence fragments

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Important School Announcements

- CCS Mass Choir: Attention all 3rd through 8th grade students! Do you like to sing? Join us for Mass choir on Tuesday mornings to help provide beautiful music for our liturgies. Students may sign up for as many weeks as they would like. More information can be found on the Sign Up Genius: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C44ACAA2DA31-50743257-mass#
- Join us for an afternoon of family fun and games at the Fall Fest on Sunday afternoon, October 6. CCS Fields will be filled with plenty of fun activities to enjoy with friends and meet new families. Featuring a bounce house, hay ride, traditional fall activities, favorite yard games, some tasty treats and even a chance to dunk some CCS staff, this event should not be missed. [Tickets now available](#) for \$5 per person / \$20 per family of 4 or more.

Social Studies

In history we will be learning about early US history and how we came to be a nation. We are going to be learning about the first colonies in North America.

Students will be tested on sections of the United States. Students need to identify each state and write the correct name and its capital. To make this more manageable, students will only be learning one section at a time. The **SE Region test** will be on Tuesday, September 24th. Students need to identify the correct state by shape/location and be able to write the state and capital name (spelling and capital letters count).

To help learn the states, your student may want to play some helpful online review games. <https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/geography/usa/50-states-game>

Math

We have been working on estimation, rounding to different place values and finding partial sums with decimals. We will be continuing to add and subtract with decimals. The key to success is to *line up the decimal points before adding or subtracting*. There will be a test on 9/26. Students may use their notes for this test.

To reinforce math concepts and skills, students are assigned sections for Khan Academy ([khanacademy.org](https://www.khanacademy.org)). This is for a grade. Students have their login and password in their planner. The 1st qtr. requirements are to complete Decimal Place Value, Add Decimals and Subtract Decimals. Students will work on Khan Academy as part of their extended math time.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week we continued discussing and analyzing *Wonder*. We have started using text evidence to determine the character traits of some of the main characters. We also worked on identifying and correcting sentence fragments. Students also received the next set of spelling/vocabulary words. This set of 10 come from the first 23 pages of *Wonder*.

Next week, students will continue to read *Wonder* and will review sentence fragments and have a quiz on this material next Friday. We will continue to work with the new spelling/vocabulary words. Students will also be working on a Precept Project next week relating to *Wonder*. This is a fairly short project and will be done entirely in school.

Theology

Students had a test on the Introductory Rites, Liturgy of the Word, and Mass responses this week. We began our study of the Liturgy of the Eucharist and Concluding Rites, and the responses for those parts of the Mass.

Science

We are going to be learning about classification in science. We will have several labs coming up. Please send in empty paper towel rolls if you have any available. Thank you!