

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

First Grade

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Upcoming Dates:

Saturday, September 24- 4pm PTO Back to School Picnic **Thursday, September 29-** Mass (Students must be in formal dress uniforms) **Monday, October 10-** School Closed Teacher Work Day

Announcements:

Crozet Speech and Language Clinic will be conducting speech screenings in October. Please look for a letter in your child's Friday folder with more information.

Social Studies

We switch between social studies and science per quarter. This quarter we are focusing on science.

Math

This week we practiced counting forwards and backwards as well as counting by 10s and counting by 5s. Next week we will continue working with number sense activities and will explore counting by 2s and continue with mixed counting review.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Reading

This week we read and discussed the story, *Make Way for Ducklings*. Our focus was on Describing a Character, which included identifying outward characteristics as well as inner personality traits. A character's actions often tell us who they are and reveal their motivation, like the mother duck who is very proud of her ducklings. Next week we will read *Real Cowboys* and focus on asking and answering questions about what we read.

Grammar

This week we focused on Sentence Structure, reviewed Nouns, and introduced Verbs and Adjectives. Next week we will focus on asking sentences and how they end with question marks (?).

Writing

This week we wrote about *Make Way for Ducklings*, a story about two ducks searching for the perfect spot to raise their ducklings. Our focus was on describing characters from the story. We also introduced/practiced Daily 5 writing activities.

Religion

This week we learned about faith basics. We learned about the significance of the tomb, the seven sacraments and the eucharist. Next week we will continue with our lessons on faith basics by learning about heaven, the Holy Spirit, how Jesus loves children, and how to write our own prayers.

Science

This week we continued learning about matter and completing activities in our science interactive notebook.

Other Information

Snack (8:45/9:00)/ Lunch(11:50)

Please include a snack with your child's lunch everyday along with a filled spill proof water bottle. Please be mindful of the food that you are packing. Our first grade classroom is nut free, so double check labels. Nuts are okay to bring into the cafeteria for lunch time this year!

Specials Schedule

Monday - Library Tuesday - Art and Music Wednesday - P.E. and Art

Thursday-Mass and Library Friday - Music

Dress Uniform

<u>Boys</u> - Blue pants, white dress shirt, CCS tie/bowtie, black school shoes, and blue or black socks NO white.

<u>Girls</u>- Plaid jumper, solid dark shorts underneath, white peter pan collared shirt, navy knee socks NO white or black knee socks, and black school shoes.

Homework (M-Th)

For the week of: 9/26-9/30

Math- 1st Quarter Week 2

Reading- 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.

Word Study/Spelling- Stay Tuned

Religion- Practice Sign of the Cross Prayer