

Charlottesville Catholic School Friday Newsletter

4th Grade

Good afternoon! Our newsletter is back with a new look! We had a fantastic week in 4th grade and hope you did as well. We have now completed our fifth week of school and could not be more proud of the amazing work that our 4th grade students have put in! Enjoy the weekend and please contact us if you have any questions.

Announcements

- Please be mindful of absences (appointments, trips, etc).
- As we have several students with peanut allergies in 4th grade, please be conscientious of them when packing snacks/lunches.
- 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.
- Please remember that the only accepted variations of the navy blue uniform pants come from FlynnO'Hara, and Lands End.
- Here is a link to a flier for hispanic Heritage Month. There are wonderful STEM workshops being offered. <u>Hispanic Heritage Link</u>
- If you are interested in signing up for the annual 5k/Fun Run, please visit <u>https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/Charlottesville/CharlottesvilleCatholicSchool20thAn</u> <u>nual5k</u> If you are interested in putting together a foursome for the run, contact Colleen Smith at <u>c.smith@cvillecatholic.org</u>.
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Calendar/Important Dates:

- The 1st quarter interim is <u>Friday, September 23</u>.
- CCS will have a <u>Back to School Picnic on Saturday</u>, September 24.
- Teacher Work Day (School Closed)- Monday, October 10.
- Student/Teacher Holiday (School Closed)- Friday, October 21.
- Elementary Day of Service will be October 28.
- Parent Teacher Conferences-<u>11:30 am dismissal-Thursday, November 3 (No</u><u>Aftercare)</u>.
- Parent Teacher Conferences- (School Closed)- Friday, November 4.

Social Studies

This past week, students presented their American Hero projects. This was such a fun learning experience and one that students really connected with. We also learned about how nonfiction text features can aid in learning and how to use those features to our advantage.

Next week, students will begin the first chapter of our Virginia Studies and learn about the 5 regions of Virginia and what sets them apart from each other.

Math

This week in Math students have enjoyed some engaging Math lessons on addition and subtraction patterns, estimation of sums and differences, mental math strategies, and addition of whole numbers. We are also practicing multiplication fact fluency with flash cards where there is time.

Our next Math test is scheduled for the week of October 3rd.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This past week, we began *The Tiger Rising*. Students are already highly engaged in this story and are learning how to get the most out of the books that they choose. We also learned about how to choose a book that is appropriate and just right.

Next week, students will continue *The Tiger Rising* and learn about the author's craft. <u>We will</u> <u>also have a spelling test on Friday, September 30</u>.

Religion

This week in Religion, we have been focused on Unit 1 Lesson 3- "Why did God make us?" We also made cards for Monsignor, enjoyed snacks with our Faith buddies, had class in the Chapel, and enjoyed learning about faith, grace, and how God created each of us in his image and likeness. 4A planned Mass for October 6th, however Mass roles will be distributed amongst our entire community in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month. We look forward to taking on the roles in our next grade-level Mass.

The Unit 1 Lesson 3 Religion Quiz is scheduled for Tuesday, September 27th.

Science

This week in Science students have been engaged in Test Review for Chapter 1. I am so proud to see improvement in our Independent Study skills already. We enjoyed continued study of Vertebrates and Invertebrates, and discussing the upcoming Science Fair. More information to come!