

## Charlottesville Catholic School

# Friday Newsletter

September 23, 2022

# Kindergarten

Thank you for sending us your amazing kindergarteners each day! We are grateful to you for entrusting them into our care.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions or comments. The best way to reach us is by email.

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#### **Announcements**

We have reviewed the recent assessment data. Because recognizing letters and knowing the sounds that those letters make is a very important part of the reading process, We are asking for some additional help at home to fill in the gaps. We are sending home a sheet for each student on which we have circled the letters and sounds that your child knew at the time of the assessment. Please work on the ones that are not circled as needed. Flashcards to practice matching upper and lowercase letters are also included. We will continue to work on letter and sound recognition at school. Please have your child practice the weekly sight words that come home and listen to your child read daily to help build fluency. Thank you so very much for partnering with us.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Here are just a few resources to make your time fun.

http://thisreadingmama.com/101-alphabet-activities-printables/

http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/alphabet-games

http://www.kizclub.com/activities.htm

- See It, Say It, Sign It | Letter Sounds | ASL Alphabet | Jack Hartmann
- See It Say It Sign It Volume 2 Jack Hartmann ASL Alphabet

Next month, we will learn about community helpers. Traditionally, we have had parents come in

and talk about their occupations. If you would like to come and explain what you do in your job, please let us know. If you would like to take us on a virtual field trip to your work site, just send a video. Thank you for all you do in the community. We look forward to seeing you in class soon.

Bring your library books back every Thursday for Mrs. Martin's Class

and Friday for Mrs. Draper's class so that you can choose new books from the library!

- Please send a CCS fleece or sweater for the classroom in case your child is cold in the building.
- When it rains, a raincoat is much preferred over an umbrella.
- Please label everything that you would like returned to your house. Over the years, we have had a very high rate of return for misplaced items that were clearly labeled.

## **Important Dates**

- 9/24 Back to School Picnic 4:00-6:00
- 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
- 10/17 Field trip to Chiles orchard
- 10/20 Picture Day
- 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

#### **Social Studies**

Students learned about Johnny Appleseed and the countries of Paraguay and Bolivia which is our focus country for National Hispanic Heritage month.

### Math

We continued our Math Journals this week. Each day we graph the weather for the day, add a number to our September calendar, draw a circle in our 180 day ten frame chart, and color in a number in our 100s chart. Students are learning to recognize and write numbers 0-10. In addition to our regular calendar routine, we did some apple related counting activities.

### Language Arts/Reading/Writing

We continued sight words this week: up, look, is, go, we. Next week, our sight words will be: little, down, can, see, not. Students are working on pencil grip and writing on the lines. Students are learning the structure of Daily Five. We are working hard to help students build independence by approaching tasks with the following guidelines: get started right away, work the whole time, stay in one spot, work quietly, build your stamina. You may want to try this language at home with your child's household tasks. They will be surprised that you are using those phrases. :)

### Religion

We read a Bible story each day, prayed and talked about how Joseph forgave his brothers. We also have a science related devotion each day and we are learning a lot about God's amazing world.

#### Science

Students listened to the story, Ten Apples on Top. They were given blocks and they tried to see how many blocks that they could stack on their heads before they fell over. Students also discussed the five senses and did some related activities. We made apple scented playdough in the STEM lab. Students enjoyed mixing 1 cup of cornstarch and ½ cup of apple scented shampoo or conditioner.

Students listened to stories about Johnny Appleseed and took a virtual field trip to the apple orchard. We will continue talking about the changes of the season and do more apple activities.

### Other Information

CCS 2022/2023 Student/Parent Handbook

https://cvillecatholic.us11.list-manage.com/track/click?u=9b38293f7bcd2ecbc2bab7c88&id=a89cb5f427&e=fdab17459c

Songs and story links:

Creation song: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nY2W4nOD\_x8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nY2W4nOD\_x8</a>

"Jesus Loves Me" by Listener Kids - YouTube

<u>Let's Go Deep, Deep https://video.link/w/UXT1d</u> Power Shuffle | Everest VBS Music Video | Group Publishing

■ See It, Say It, Sign It | Letter Sounds | ASL Alphabet | Jack Hartmann

Exercise, Rhyme and Freeze | Rhyming Words for Kids | Exercise Song | Jack

Hartmann: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cSPmGPIyykU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cSPmGPIyykU</a>

Where Do you Start Your Letters <a href="https://video.link/w/OjNAc">https://video.link/w/OjNAc</a>

Thank you song: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0eEkWvekQiE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0eEkWvekQiE</a>



#### Dear Parent or Legal Guardian:

Your son/daughter is eligible to participate in a school sponsored activity requiring transportation to a location away from the school building. This activity will take place under the guidance and supervision of employees from Charlottesville Catholic School. A brief description of the activity follows:

Name of Event: Apple and Pumpkin picking at Chiles Orchard

Educational Objective: Science K.6 The student will learn about living and nonliving things.

Sponsor of Activity: Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Draper

Date and time of departure: October 17 8:45

Date and time of return: October 17 12:45

Method of transportation: Cars

Please return this form by: Friday, September 30

If you would like your child to participate in this event, please complete, sign, and return the following statement of consent and release of liability. As parent or legal guardian, you remain fully responsible for any legal responsibility which may result from any personal actions taken by the named student.

I request and give permission for my child,described above. I understand that this event will take place that my child will be under the supervision of the designate. I further consent to the conditions stated above on participa method of transportation. I also give the school permission treatment for my child during the course of this trip.	e away from the school grounds and d school employee on the stated dates. ction in this event, including the
(Print Parent's Name)	
(Parent's Signature)	
Contact person in case of emergencyPhone no	umber

- Drivers must have a Volunteer Driver Information Form on file in the office.
- Drivers will not deviate from the intended itinerary.
- To enter a military base you must have a military sticker or your car insurance papers and your car registration with you.

  Students under 57" height must be properly restrained in a child safety seat or booster seat to
- be provided by parents.

I am willing to DRIVE\_\_\_\_\_\_# OF SEAT BELTS FOR PASSENGERS.

- Diocesan policy requires two adults per car when possible. All adult (21 & older) chaperones must have attended VIRTUS training.
- We regret that no siblings may accompany us.