Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

5th Grade 09/24/2021

Teachers' Message/Announcements

- If you would like to contact us, these are our emails:
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- Today, Sept. 24, is the mid-way point of the first quarter. Please check FACTS regularly to see your child's grades, but you will also receive an email about any subject in which your child has a C or below.
- Be sure to check your child's Friday Folder each week for papers that are returned to them. Be aware, however, that we complete many assignments and assessments in Google Classroom, and those are returned to the students electronically. The grades for those assignments will appear in FACTS, so when you see a grade posted there, please ask your child to share those assignments/assessments with you.

Upcoming Tests and Independent Projects:

- **Tuesday, September 30th:** Quiz in math on prime factorization and exponents.
- Wednesday, September 29th: Quiz on the writing process
- Thursday, September 30th: Colonial Map Quiz
- Friday, October 1: Spelling Quiz

Math

This week we worked on math operations in word problems, divisibility rules, prime factorization and exponents. We will continue to work on these specific math skills.

Science

We learned about the classification system for living organisms. We will be classifying animals and delving into the connection of energy moving through organisms and ecosystems.

Social Studies

This week we continued to talk about Colonial America. Our Architecture Project will not start until next week. In this portfolio students will be learning about the geography, economy, climate, population, and success of Roanoke, Jamestown, Plymouth, and New Amsterdam. This will be an ongoing project that will culminate with them testing their colony in a simulator. They will then record and analyze the results of the successes and failures. We will have a quiz over the Colonial Map on **Thursday** of next week.

Language Arts

This week students started reading *Wonder*. They also studied how to punctuate dialogue and had a quiz on that skill on Friday. We also talked about the writing process, as they begin writing their first formal piece that will be taken through the writing process. They will have a quiz on the writing process next week, and the chart they received in class will also be posted on Google Classroom/Writing for them to use as a study guide. Students did not get a new set of spelling words this week, but they will be given those early next week and will have a quiz on them on Friday. These words are being assigned based on the results of the spelling inventory we did a couple of weeks ago.

Religion

This week we continued our focus on the Liturgical Seasons and submitted projects over these. During our chapel reflection time we talked about the importance of journaling and or reflecting on the good and bad in our days. We read the story of Adam and Eve and reflected on Genesis 4:7. Next week we will begin our study of the rosary. Students will learn the prayers and how to pray the rosary over the next few weeks.

5A did an excellent job preparing Mass this week for the school!