



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

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Friday Newsletter

First Grade

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Calendar/Important Dates:

- **Monday, September 30** - CCS Golf Tournament
- **Friday, October 4** - Blue & Gold Day
- **Sunday, October 6** - CCS Fall Festival, 2-4pm
- **Monday, October 7** - No School, Teacher Work Day
- **Tuesday, October 8** - No Mass/formal dress, Priest Convocation
- **Saturday, October 12** - 5K & Fun Run
- **Friday, October 18** - 11:30 Dismissal, End of 1st Quarter
- **Friday, October 25** - 1st Quarter Report Cards
- **Tuesday, October 29** - No Mass/formal dress
- **Friday, November 1** - Mass/formal dress, Solemnity of All Saints
- **Thursday, November 21** - Service Project/Field Trip at Church of the Incarnation

School Announcements:

- On Sunday, October 6 the CCS Fields will be filled with plenty of fun activities to enjoy with friends and meet new families at the Fall Fest. 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.](#) But we need the help of our amazing CCS community to make it happen. We are seeking donations of supplies and volunteers to facilitate the event (Middle School students can earn service hours). [Sign up to help us here.](#)

Teacher's Messages/Announcements:

- Please check your student's red folder in their binders this weekend for completed activities they've been working on over the last weeks. Each Friday, we will be sending

home any completed work, as well as announcements or other important paperwork, in their red folders.

- Mrs. Mitchell is still looking for K-2 participants in the after-school tap dance club! Each CCS staff-led club will cost \$175.00 per session. The cost will go towards supplies and compensation for teachers. **The tap dance club will, also, be featured in the drama club's performance of The Wizard on Oz on November 16th!** Please see below for more information.

Please read about the clubs below and contact the instructor if you are interested in signing up or have further questions. Payment for the classes will be through FACTS.

Tap Dance - Mrs. Mitchell (c.mitchell@cvillecatholic.org)

Grades K - 3 on Mondays from 3:30 - 4:35

Dates: September 30

October 14, 21, 28

November 4, 11, 18

December 2, 9, 16

This energetic and exciting class is designed to provide young dancers with an introduction to the fundamentals of tap dance. Early exposure to the rhythms and unique mind-to-foot connection associated with tap dance will allow students to progress and excel at the art as they move through life. Students will need tap shoes for the class.

Social Studies

This week we talked about Mother Teresa. We read about her life, sequenced the events in her life and created a magazine cover to keep in our interactive notebook. Next week we will talk about Hispanic Heritage month.

Math

This week we continued our study on number sense. We learned about rows vs columns in a 120s chart, how to find one more and one less of a certain number, and how to find a missing number on a 120s chart. Next week we will wrap up our study of number sense and we will introduce place value.

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. 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.

Theology

This week was all about preparation! We prepared for the feast of the archangels (our school mascot!) on September 29 by learning more about these honored saints and their role in many important accounts in the Bible. We, also, prepared for October as the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary by making our own rosaries that we'll be using on Thursday mornings throughout the month as we join our school in praying the luminous mysteries, which reflect on the life and ministry of Jesus.

Science

This week we focused on social studies.

Other Information

Snack (8:45/9:00)/ Lunch (11:30)

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 classrooms are nut free, so double check labels. Nuts are okay to bring into the cafeteria for lunch time this year!

Specials Schedule

Monday - Library & Music Tuesday - Library & Mass Wednesday - P.E.

Thursday- Art Friday - Music

Dress Uniform

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

Girls- 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)

Be on the lookout for your child's homework sheet in next week's Monday binder.

Please, no more than 25 minutes a night. Reading is the MOST important homework and should be done EVERY night!