

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

Kindergarten

09/29/2023

Teacher's Message/Announcements

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

***Please remember to have your child's library books in their backpacks on Thursday mornings so they can check new ones out.**

- Crozet Speech and Language Clinic will be conducting speech screenings the first week of October. Please look for a letter in your child's Friday folder with more information.
- On your mark. Get set - REGISTER! [Registration](#) for our annual 5K and Fun Run is OPEN! Grab your tickets today. You won't want to miss out on this fantastic family event! Register early to ensure your Fun Run t-shirt arrives in time for the big day!
- There are lots of ways that you can help at the 5K and Fun Run on Saturday, October 7. Please see the Sign Up Genius below for all of the different opportunities. We need many volunteers to make sure this event is a success! [5K & Fun Run Volunteer Sign Up](#)
- On Thursday, October 5, John Kronstain will present "How to Know What You Don't Know - Social Media in the Lives of Today's Adolescents" for CCS parents at 7:00PM in the Performance Hall. Please use the form below to RSVP, as seating will be limited. Please note that childcare will not be provided. [October 5 Speaker Series RSVP](#)
- You should have received an email regarding hearing and vision screenings earlier this week. If you would like your child to be screened, the permission form must be completed (link attached below). Screenings will begin toward the end of the month. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to clinic@cvillecatholic.org
- [Hearing and Vision Permission Form](#)

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. 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.

- 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.

Calendar/Important Dates

9/22 - 1st Quarter Interim

10/9 - Teacher Work Day (no school)

10/11 Field trip to Chile's Orchard

10/20 - End of 1st Quarter

10/27 - 1st Quarter Report Cards

Teacher email addresses

Please feel free to contact us with any questions. Our email addresses are:

j.draper@cvillecatholic.org and r.zartler@cvillecatholic.org

Social Studies

Students continued to learn about the countries of Bolivia and Mexico which are our focus countries for National Hispanic Heritage month.

Math

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 0-20. In addition to our regular calendar routine.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

We continued sight words this week: little, down, can, see, not . Next week, our sight words will be: one, my, me, big, come. 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.

Theology

We watched a theology movie about the rosary. Every Friday we also go to the chapel. The last two times in the chapel, I showed the students rosary beads and taught them about it. In October, every Thursday, we will be praying one decade of the rosary as a whole school outside on the basketball court. Eighth grade will lead us in the rosary.

Science

We went to the STEAM lab twice this week as we do every week. We conducted an experiment with making boats out of aluminum foil and then adding pennies and other objects to it until it sank. The students made predictions and then some were able to remember how many pennies there were. We will continue talking about the changes of the season and do more apple activities as well as pumpkin activities.