



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

First Grade

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Upcoming Dates:

Saturday, October 1- Charlottesville Catholic School 5K and Fun Run

Thursday, October 6- Bilingual Mass (All students must be in dress uniform)

Friday, October 7- Blue/Gold Day

Monday, October 10- School Closed Teacher Work Day

Announcements:

Social Studies

We talked about the country of Nicaragua and Hispanic Heritage Month.

Math

This week we practiced counting by 10s and by 2s. Next week we will continue working with number sense activities and counting, numeral recognition and how to write number words.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

Reading

This week we read and discussed the story, *Real Cowboys.*, which is nonfiction and aims to paint the real picture of who cowboys are and what they really do. Our focus was on asking questions and identifying question words (Who, What, Where, Why, When, and How, etc.) while reading. We stressed how good readers ask questions before they read, while they read, and after they read. Next week we will read *Hoot and Peep*, and focus on making connections (text to self, text to text, and text to world).

Grammar

This week we looked at asking sentences (?) vs. telling sentences (.) and how to tell them apart. Identifying words like, who, what, where, when, why, and how, can help determine what type of sentence it is and what punctuation is needed. Next week we will talk about onomatopoeia- a word that mimics the sound of the actual thing or person described.

Writing

This week we wrote about being a cowboy/cowgirl and focused on the type of sentences we were writing (asking and telling) and punctuation that was needed. We further practiced our writing skills during Daily 5 writing activities.

Religion

This week we completed our unit on faith basics. We learned about heaven, the Holy Spirit, how Jesus loves children and we even wrote our own prayers. Next week we will start to study Mary. For this unit we will read a story about Mary and complete different activities in our religion interactive notebook. We will also say the rosary outside on Tuesday mornings as a whole school

Science

This week we continued learning about matter and completing activities in our science interactive notebook.

Other Information

Snack (8:45/9:00)/ Lunch(11:50)

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

Specials Schedule

Monday - Library Tuesday - Art and Music Wednesday - P.E. and Art

Thursday-Mass and Library 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)

For the week of: 10/3-10/7

Math- 1st Quarter Week 3

Reading- read for 15 min./night. Please record the title of the book that was read each night. Additionally, for each completed book, your child will color in their reading log for the month (e.g., September books = apples). Don't forget the monthly reading challenge that was included in the binder as well. These activities are designed to motivate readers/encourage students to have fun with reading. It's optional, but highly recommended.

Word Study/Spelling- Monday: Cut and sort words (keep them in the pencil pouch in your binder), **Tuesday:** Sort your words- write and illustrate 8 words, **Wednesday:** Sort your words- choose 4 words to use in a sentence (try your best with the spelling of words), **Thursday:** Glue your words onto the sorting mat that came home on Monday.

Religion- Practice Sign of the Cross Prayer