

Charlottesville Catholic School Friday Newsletter

Sep 30, 2022

2nd Grade

Hello Rainbow Cheetah and Silly Sloth families!

What a wonderful week we have had in second grade! We've flexed our place value muscles, been introduced to some stupendous spelling words, built teepees, and discussed God's gift of our beautiful life!

Stay tuned for information about our upcoming field trip as well as additional guidance for our honorary Hall of Saints project!

Thank you for your continued support.

God bless, Mrs. Pearring & Mrs. Robinson <u>m.pearring@cvillecatholic.org</u> <u>h.robinson@cvillecatholic.org</u>

<u>Announcements</u>

- It takes a village! We're excited to reach out for help in the classroom, chaperones for field trips, weekly readers, and more! Please make sure you are VIRTUS trained so you can join in on ALL OF THE FUN!
- September is Hispanic Heritage Month!! Our classes are learning all about Panama (Silly Sloths) and Costa Rica (Rainbow Cheetahs), decorating our doors in the theme of each country, and participating in tons of fun activities while celebrating the culture of these fabulous countries!
- Lace up those sneakers and put on your sweatbands!!! Join us for the 5K and Children's Fun Run! Go CCS!

- Bogey? Birdie? Eagle? Do it all at the CCS Golf Tournament! If you are interested in playing or putting together a foursome, contact Colleen Smith at c.smith@cvillecatholic.org
- Crozet Speech and Language Clinic will be conducting speech screenings for new students in October. Please look for a letter in your child's Friday folder with more information.
- Join the Alliance Française for one fun-filled hour at CCS! They will be coming to our school on Thursday, October 13th from 3:30-4:30 to play outdoor games in French! This class will fill up fast with only 12 spots available for grades 2-5. Please register at frenchcville.org. For questions, please email Michelle Katstra at michelle.afcville@gmail.com.

Calendar

- 9/30 Math Test (place value)
- 10/7 Spelling Test
- 10/10 No School
- 10/13 Amazement Square Field Trip (permission form attached)
- 10/14 Speech Screenings for new students (look for info in Friday folder)
- 10/21 No School
- 10/28 First Quarter Report Cards
- 10/31 Halloween! More information to follow
- 11/1 Hall of Saints project
- 11/3 11:30 Dismissal and Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 11/4 No School Parent/Teacher Conferences

Math

After writing numbers in standard, expanded, word, and base-10 form, students took their test today, showing off their professional place value skills. Next week, we will kick off our addition unit, starting with the basics... counting on, doubles and near doubles, adding three numbers, and so much more! As we embark on this addition adventure, we highly encourage your child to practice math facts at home to help master their fact fluency.

Literacy

Our stupendous spelling groups met for the first time this week. Each child received their specific spelling list along with small group guidance on letter sounds and spelling patterns before applying their knowledge in word work practice throughout our Literacy block. Additionally, students continued to build their reading stamina through reading to self and while listening to reading on Epic.

It's a big week of firsts in Literacy! Reading groups met for the first time as well, diving into a short biography on St. Francis of Assisi. Not only did your kiddos practice their reading and

comprehension skills, but also got good research practice, in preparation for our upcoming Hall of Saints project!

Next week, our Spelling and Reading groups will continue to flourish as they meet and practice their skills.

Religion

This week, our future Saints finished up our study on how we are made in God's image, followed by an important discussion on God's gift of free will. As we reflected on how good decisions lead to good results, students wrote and shared compliments with their peers! What an encouraging and caring group we have!

Saint choices have flooded in and, next week, your child will know exactly which Saint they will be researching! This coming Monday, we will spend time going over everything about our upcoming Hall of Saints project. Be on the lookout for those instructions coming home! Additionally next week, we will explore God's gift of conscience, and how practicing virtues makes God happy.

Social Studies

From the Eastern Woodlands with the Powhatan tribe,, the Silly Sloths and Rainbow Cheetahs traveled to the Great Plains to learn all about the Lakota. Ask your child about the primary animal they hunted, what type of homes they built and why these homes weren't permanent, the types of transportation they used, and what jobs they would have had. You'll be beaming with pride listening to your little encyclopedia rattling off cool facts for you!

If you have a moment, pop by the CCS Library next week to check out the "living villages" our creative cuties have built for both the Lakota and Powhatan tribes!

If your sloth or cheetah has not yet brought in an empty box (preferably about the size of a shoe box), please send it in ASAP. You're also welcome to send in more than one. We'll be transforming the boxes into a Pueblo village, and need to prepare them!



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: <u>Amazement Square</u>

Educational Objective: <u>Social Studies 2.4 (Native American Cultures)</u> and Science 2.1. (Scientific <u>Investigations) 2.2 (Matter)</u>

Sponsor of Activity: Heidi Robinson & Megan Pearring

Date and time of departure: Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 8:30 AM

Date and time of return: Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 3:00 PM

Method of transportation: Parent chaperone carpool

Please return this form by: Tuesday, September 27, 2022

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, ______, to participate in the event described above. I understand that this event will take place away from the school grounds and that my child will be under the supervision of the designated school employee on the stated dates. I further consent to the conditions stated above on participation in this event, including the method of transportation. I also give the school permission to obtain emergency medical treatment for my child during the course of this trip.

(Print Parent's Name)

(Parent's Signature)

Contact person in case of emergency_____ Phone number_____

I am willing to DRIVE_____ AND I HAVE_____# OF SEAT BELTS FOR PASSENGERS.

- Drivers must have a Volunteer Driver Information Form on file in the office.
- Drivers will not deviate from the intended itinerary.

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

• 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.

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