



**Charlottesville
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Friday Newsletter

4th Grade

Good afternoon, 4th grade parents! We hope you have enjoyed a wonderful first week of Fall. We have enjoyed decorating doors for Hispanic Heritage month. It is hard to believe we're already halfway through the First Quarter. Should there be any questions regarding interim grades, please feel free to contact us by email or phone. We are proud of the students' hard work each and every day, and thank you for your support.

Announcements

- Please be mindful of absences (appointments, trips, etc).
- As we have several students with peanut allergies in 4th grade, please be conscientious of them when packing snacks/lunches.
- Please remember that the only accepted variations of the navy blue uniform pants come from FlynnO'Hara, and Lands End.
- Here is a link to a flier for hispanic Heritage Month. There are wonderful STEM workshops being offered. [Hispanic Heritage Link](#)
- 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 frenchville.org. For questions, please email Michelle Katstra at michelle.afcville@gmail.com.
- Contact emails: a.burgin@cvillecatholic.org a.taleghani@cvillecatholic.org

Calendar/Important Dates:

- Bilingual Mass- Thursday, October 6.
- Picture Day- Thursday, November 3 (Taleghani) and Thursday, November 10 (Burgin)
- Teacher Work Day- (School Closed)- Monday, October 10.
- Student/Teacher Holiday- (School Closed)- Friday, October 21.
- Elementary Day of Service will be October 28.
- Parent Teacher Conferences- 11:30 am dismissal-Thursday, November 3 (No Aftercare).
- Parent Teacher Conferences- (School Closed)- Friday, November 4.

Social Studies

This past week, students became textbook “detectives” and learned how to use textbooks and all of the nonfiction text features within it. We also began to learn about Virginia and all that it has to offer!

Next week, we will continue to learn about the 5 regions of Virginia and what makes them unique.

Math

In Math this week we have been focused on addition and subtraction operations, and strategies for solving multi-step word problems.

The Chapter 2 Math Test is scheduled for Wednesday, October 5th.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This past week, we continued *The Tiger Rising*. Students are thoroughly engaged with this novel. We learned the importance of synthesized retelling and envisioning the story as we read. We will continue this working with realistic fiction texts next week. These practices will aid students in becoming greater readers and writers!

Religion

In Religion we have been focused on the essential question, “Why did God make us?” We took our Unit 1 Lesson 3 quiz and are now focused on Unit 1 Lesson 4: “Who is Jesus Christ?” We have enjoyed learning more about Mary, and have similarly reflected on what God asks of us. We highlighted important topics like the Immaculate Conception, the Incarnation and Jesus’ Resurrection.

There will be a Unit 1 Lesson 4 Quiz on Thursday, October 6th.

Science

In Science this week we have been learning about heredity, genes and traits. We learned that a combination of genes make us all unique individuals that resemble our parents and grandparents, and that our traits make us the distinct humans we are, too! We enjoyed our practice in being book detectives when we learned about the life cycle and reproduction of plants. We worked on text referencing strategies to strengthen our critical thinking and study skills, and enjoyed our “inherited characteristics” mini-lab.

There will be a Chapter 2 Test on Friday, October 7th.