

Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

September 30, 2022

Kindergarten

We have had a great week of learning and growing. It was great seeing so many of you at the Back to School Picnic!

Please feel free to reach out with any questions or comments. The best way to reach us is by email.

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We have been reading a series of books in which Little (letter of the alphabet) fills a box. On Thursday, October 27, we would like for each student to share his or her own "box." Each "box" should have one item for each letter in the alphabet. We will be sending a link to a digital box through Seesaw soon. A physical box may also be brought to class. Please find something for each letter of the alphabet around your house, in your neighborhood, or while traveling. (A-apple, B-ball, C-comb....) A drawing may be added if a tangible object cannot be found.

Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated from Sept. 15 through Oct. 15. CCS is so fortunate to be able to share this special time and celebration with all of our families. Some of the things we are doing include artwork, story reading, and music from several different Hispanic countries. Our focus countries in kindergarten are Paraguay and Bolivia.

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.

Bring your library books back every Thursday for Mrs. Martin's Class

and Friday for Mrs. Draper's class so that you can choose new books from the library!

- Please send a CCS fleece or sweater for the classroom in case your child is cold in the building.
- When it rains, a raincoat is much preferred over an umbrella.

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.

Important Dates

- 10/1 The 5K
- 10/3 CCS Golf Tournament
- 10/7 Blue & Gold day
- 10/10 School closed- teacher work day
- 10/14 PTO Movie Night
- 10/17 Field trip to Chiles orchard
- 10/20 Picture Day
- 10/21 School closed- student/teacher holiday
- 11/1 All Saints Day- Mass
- 11/3 11:30 dismissal Parent/teacher conferences
- 11/4 School closed Parent/teacher conferences
- 11/23-11-25 School Closed- Thanksgiving Break
- 11/28 Winter Dress begins
- 12/2 Blue & Gold
- 12/14 Christmas Concert
- 12/16 11:30 Dismissal
- 12/19-30 Christmas break

Social Studies

Students learned more about Johnny Appleseed and the countries of Paraguay and Bolivia which are our focus countries in Kindergarten for National Hispanic Heritage month. Next month, we will begin our unit on community helpers. Students made a Johnny Appleseed puppet.

Math

We continued our Math Journals this week. 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 0-10. Students also made spiders as they learned about the number eight.

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. Please continue to practice sight words at home. Students are working on pencil grip and writing on the lines. Students are learning the structure of Daily Five. We read the book The Fall Basket. Students went on a sight word hunt in their books. We talked about how the pictures can give us a clue to what the words are and that there are often repeating words on each page. As we send books home, please have your child point to each word and read the book three or more times. 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.

Religion

We read a Bible story each day, prayed and talked about how God led the Israelites to the promised land. We also have a science related devotion each day and we are learning a lot about God's amazing world.

Science

We went on a fall scavenger hunt outside and found lots of interesting things including some bonus items that were not on the list.

Other Information

CCS 2022/2023 Student/Parent Handbook

https://cvillecatholic.us11.list-manage.com/track/click?u=9b38293f7bcd2ecbc2bab7c88&id=a89cb5f427&e=fdab17459c

Songs and story links:

Creation song: https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=nY2W4nOD x8

"Jesus Loves Me" by Listener Kids - YouTube

Let's Go Deep, Deep, Deep https://video.link/w/UXT1d

Power Shuffle | Everest VBS Music Video | Group Publishing

See It, Say It, Sign It | Letter Sounds | ASL Alphabet | Jack Hartmann

Exercise, Rhyme and Freeze | Rhyming Words for Kids | Exercise Song | Jack

Hartmann: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cSPmGPIyykU

Where Do you Start Your Letters https://video.link/w/OjNAc

Thank you song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0eEkWvekQiE

http://thisreadingmama.com/101-alphabet-activities-printables/

http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/alphabet-games

http://www.kizclub.com/activities.htm

- See It, Say It, Sign It | Letter Sounds | ASL Alphabet | Jack Hartmann
- See It Say It Sign It Volume 2 Jack Hartmann ASL Alphabet