



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

Charlottesville Catholic School Friday Newsletter

5th Grade 9/6/24



Teacher's Message/Announcements:

- It was wonderful to see so many of you at Back-to-School Night on Wednesday! We sent out the slide presentation by email yesterday, so please let us know if you have any questions.
- September 20 is the mid-way point of the 1st quarter. ***This is an 11:30 dismissal for JK-5 and there is no school for middle school students.***
- This is a message from Ms. Varney about fifth grade PE uniforms:
https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0?ui=2&ik=c31221b09a&attid=0.1&permmsgid=msg-f:1808190141036794046&th=1917fb5a62dc90be&view=att&disp=inlin&realattid=f_m06tsjcd0

Calendar/Important Dates:

Tuesday, September 10th: Spelling/Vocabulary test (10 words from "A Package for Mrs. Jewls")

Wednesday, September 11th: MAP Testing (Reading)

Thursday, September 12th: NE Region state/capitals test

Friday, September 13: Reading test on point of view

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Important School Announcements

- CCS Mass Choir: Attention all 3rd through 8th grade students! Do you like to sing? Join us for Mass choir on Tuesday mornings to help provide beautiful music for our liturgies. Students may sign up for as many weeks as they would like. More information can be found on the Sign Up Genius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C44ACAA2DA31-50743257-mass#/>

Social Studies

In history we will be learning about early US history and how we came to be a nation. Students will be tested on sections of the United States. Students need to identify each state and write the correct name and its capital. To make this more manageable, students will only be learning one section at a time. The **NE Region test** will be on Thursday, September 12th. Students need to identify the correct state by shape/location and be able to write the state and capital name (spelling and capital letters count).

To help learn the states, your student may want to play some helpful online review games.

<https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/geography/usa/50-states-game>

Math

We will be starting the year by reviewing place value to the thousandths place and to the millions place. We will learn to solve decimal numbers problems using all operations. We will begin working with prime numbers this week.

To reinforce math concepts and skills, students are assigned sections for Khan Academy ([khanacademy.org](https://www.khanacademy.org)). This is for a grade. Students have their login and password in their planner. The 1st qtr. requirements are to complete Decimal Place Value, Add Decimals and Subtract Decimals. Students will work on Khan Academy as part of their extended math time.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This week we continued to review the identification of subjects and predicates. Students took a quiz on this concept on Friday. We also continued to work with the spelling/vocabulary words from "A Package for Mrs. Jewls". Finally, we also started discussing and analyzing point of view in literature.

Next week, students will have a test on the spelling and meaning of the set of 10 words. They will also have a reading test on point of view. For this test, they will be given two passages (like we have worked with in class), and they will identify the point of view as being either first person, third person limited, or third person omniscient. There is a handout on these concepts in the reading section of students' binders, and a copy is also on GC/Reading. Next week, students will also begin our sentence editing activities, where we practice editing work for spelling, punctuation, and grammar. Students will also begin reading the novel *Wonder* mid-week next week.

Theology

We have continued studying the Introductory Rites and Liturgy of the Word, including the responses that are said during these sections of the Mass.

Next week, we will introduce the Saint of the Month and continue to explore the first two sections of Mass. There will be a quiz on that material early the week of September 16. All new students who have not yet recited the CCS daily prayers should try to recite them by next Friday, September 13. If your child is not Catholic and needs another week to work on these, they may recite them as late as September 20.

Science

We have been reviewing the Scientific Method. We will begin focusing on plant and animal cells.