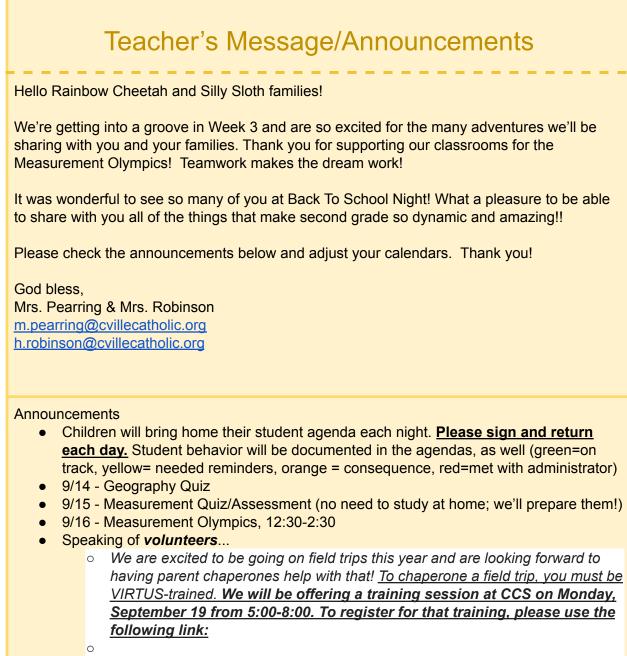
Charlottesville Catholic School

Friday Newsletter

2nd Grade 09/09/22



- <u>https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme=0</u>
- We look forward to seeing you all again at the Back to School Picnic on Saturday, September 24 at 4:00PM! (See flyer below for more information)
- September is Hispanic Heritage Month! See <u>this flyer</u> for information about STEM opportunities for children inspired by this festive time!
- Please make sure you sign up for the <u>5K and Children's Fun Run</u>.
- Hole in One! Show off your swing at the <u>CCS Golf Tournament</u>! If you are interested in playing or putting together a foursome, contact Colleen Smith at <u>c.smith@cvillecatholic.org</u>

Math

After learning all about length, the Silly Sloths and Rainbow Cheetahs dove into other areas of measurement, such as weight and capacity! To keep our super second graders on their toes, they became human scales, participated in a scavenger hunt, and played "Quiz Show" to showcase their knowledge. At the end of the week, the Rainbow Cheetahs and Silly Sloths revisited length by designing their own city scapes!

Next week, we're looking forward to the culmination of this unit with a short assessment on Thursday, followed by the Measurement Olympics on Friday. Hooray!

Literacy

Our super second graders began literacy rotations this week! Following mini lessons on handwriting and writing, our cute kiddos were able to work independently while we conferenced with, assessed, and observed our sweet students at work. They're also becoming experts at "Read to Self" and building reading stamina daily.

Eventually, the Rainbow Cheetahs and Silly Sloths will participate in each of the following rotations: Read to Self, Word Work, Read to Someone, Listen to Reading, and Work on Writing. This routine will become an integral feature of our literacy block and allow us teachers individual and small group time with each of our students several times each week.

Each class is reading "Charlotte's Web" by E.B. White. We're using this classic book to introduce so many key components of reading: expression, intonation, comprehension, making inferences and predictions, delving into character development, analyzing elements of a story, and so much more.

Science / Social Studies

Touring the world with Felix prepared the Silly Sloths and Rainbow Cheetahs for the nitty gritty details of Geography, including identifying oceans and continents, using a compass rose/identifying cardinal directions, and locating rivers and mountains. Not only are they reading maps, they are also creating maps!

Next week, we'll begin a new unit on the lives and contributions of Native Americans.

Religion

This week, we connected back to last week's lesson on the Saints and recognized that we too are all called to be Saints! Each one of us is able of loving God, serving God, and teaching about Him well... all ways to Heaven! The children did a great job writing about how they would become a Saint and drawing themselves as a Saint.

Next week, we will finally meet our patron Saint this year in second grade. I wonder who it could be?

