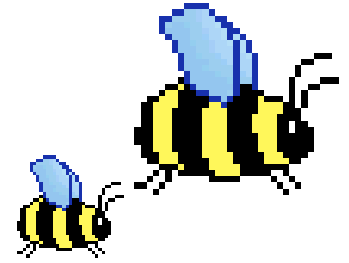


Weekly Buzz

Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade



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4/20—4/24

Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

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Spelling

Spelling Words

Reading

We will start Unit 32 in our Spelling books on Monday. This unit focuses on irregular plurals. Be very careful, 3rd Grade!

We will complete pgs. 210–215 in our spelling books, a spelling task, and spelling scrambles. We will also complete spelling tic-tac-know charts, write JUICY sentences, and place these words in ABC order for extra practice.

On Thursday, April 23, will have spelling test #32 on Unit 32 words. We will continue using cursive on our spelling tests this week (on words in which we feel comfortable).

- Unit 32**
1. goose
 2. woman
 3. calf
 4. fish
 5. mouse
 6. leaf
 7. children
 8. geese
 9. calves
 10. leaves
 11. half
 12. child
 13. women
 14. mice
 15. halves
- Bonus Words**
16. tuna
 17. oxen
 18. elf
 19. elves
 20. popcorn



Cows in the Parlor is an informational article. It discusses the activities of a dairy farm and describes a typical day as the cows are fed, milked, and put away for the night. We will also discuss the life cycle of a cow, differences between cows and bulls, heifers, bull calves, silage, and how milk travels from the farm to our refrigerators. We will use several virtual farms online, as well as view footage of dairy farms across America. Students seem to enjoy this non-fictional article, and are very interested in the different types of cows. We will discuss America's four major dairy cows.

We will create a class "Cow Fact" book to accompany this wonderful article. We will also take a virtual tour of a milking parlor in Illinois!

Announcements/Events

- ✓ Spelling Test Unit 32—April 23
- ✓ *Cows in the Parlor Test*—4/29
- ✓ Tuesday, April 21—ZOO FIELD TRIP! **ALL STUDENTS AND CHAPERONES MUST HAVE A DISPOSABLE SACK LUNCH AND DRINK for our lunch on Tuesday, April 21st.**
- ✓ May fest and Carnival—May 19

Whiteside Check Policy
Per admin: Checks will not be accepted after April 1. Payments for lunch, field trips, and any fees may be paid by cash or with a credit card online through RevTrak. Reminder: All student fees – registration, lunch, activity, library, IDs, lost textbooks – must be paid in order to participate in field trips and end of year activities

Weekly Specials Rotation for April 20—24, 2015
M(PE) Tu(Ary) W(Music) Th(Library) F(Compu).

In other buzz-worthy news:

Cursive:

We will add cursive to all morning work activities! We will also slowly incorporate cursive into our weekly spelling tests.

Science:

The next week will be devoted to Sir Isaac Newton and his laws. We will begin PHYSICAL SCIENCE!! This will have our bodies moving and grooving as we learn about forces. Pushes, pulls,

inertia, acceleration, friction, and gravity are just a few words we will discuss and conduct experiments with!

Social Studies:

We concluded our government studies last week. Students were very interested in the Electoral College and direct/representative democracies! Time for science!!

Math

We finished our fun and short Geometry Unit last week. This week, our focus will shift back to multiplication— with more in depth multiplication study. Facts logs will be coming home soon. We will use a "master in 7 days" approach to learn the trickiest facts! We will study multiplication and division (and their properties) for the remainder of the school year.

English

We have just a few more weeks of "intense" writing before we kick-off our MYSTERY GENRE! This special unit will incorporate both reading and English class activities. While studying mysteries and enjoying mystery book clubs, we will use English time to create our own fabulous mysteries! We also have a classroom version of "CLUE" scheduled to kick-off this amazing unit!

