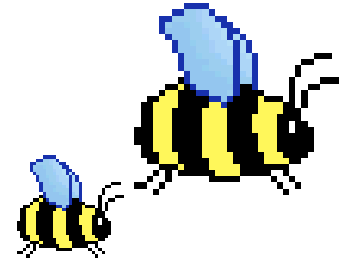


# Weekly Buzz

## Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade



\*August 27—August 31, 2012

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### Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

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#### Spelling

We started Unit 1 in our Spelling books on Friday. These are words that contain either a short "a" vowel sound or a short "i" vowel sound.

Today, we complete pgs. 8-9 in our spelling books for extra practice. We will also write our spelling words 5 times each, in ABC Order, in JUICY sentences, and we will play SPARKLE BOOM for extra practice.

On Thursday, August 30th, we will have spelling test #1 on Unit 1 words. We will begin the new Unit 2 Spelling words on Friday, August 31st.

#### Spelling Words

##### Unit 1

1. act
2. plan
3. grand
4. stamp
5. trip
6. list
7. stick
8. thing
9. land
10. stand
11. last
12. lift
13. band
14. swim
15. sand



##### Bonus Words

(these are tested too!)

1. packet
2. slim
3. magnet
4. whiskers
5. grasp

#### Reading

This week, we are reading "Angel Child, Dragon Child. In this story, Ut, a Vietnamese girl attending school in the United States, is lonely for her mother left behind in Vietnam. She makes a new friend who presents her with a wonderful gift.

This test will be on Friday, August 31st. We will complete this test independently. Third Grade students are tested on comprehension, short answer, multiple choice, and vocabulary.

##### Best Wishes Third Graders! Vocabulary:

1. Jangled
2. Twittered
3. Gleaned
4. Darted

#### Announcements

- ✓ Reading Test on Friday—we will complete this independently with assistance when needed.
- ✓ Spelling Test on Unit 1 Words on Thursday, August 30th
- ✓ No School, Monday, September 3rd.
- ✓ We earned our 1st Compliment Party! During the first week of school, we received 25 compliments from adults in our building! WOW!!!!
- ✓ Please check your child's B.E.E. Folder for papers, notes, and fliers that are coming home. The beginning of the year is always full of paperwork :)

### Weekly Specials Rotation for August 27—August 31, 2012

M (Art) Tu (Music.) W (Library) Th (Compu) F (P.E.)

### In other buzz-worthy news:

#### Cursive Writing:

We will slowly introduce cursive writing to our third grade students this year. Most students have learned parts of this skill in 2nd grade. We will begin by writing our names and the alphabet in cursive. We will practice daily, but will NOT start completing tests/classwork in cursive until after

winter break.

#### Social Studies

We started our first social studies chapter this week with our study of globes, maps, compasses, directions, oceans, and continents. Students will be tested on the seven continents and 4 oceans (although some people consider the "Southern

Ocean" to be the 5th ocean.)

#### Math:

Our first chapter in math covers graphing skills. We will study bar graphs, pictographs, line graphs, tally charts, problem solving and in-out machines. We will also learn how to interpret data from graphs in order to solve word problems.

#### English/Writing:

This week, we will start our 5 mini-lesson unit on how to begin writing and "CAFÉ" skill building for reading strategies! We will practice several skills in our "Writer's Notebooks" to help us when we begin writing expository essays soon! I am so proud of our great listening!!!!

