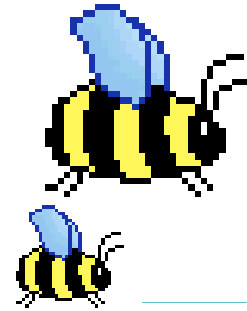


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## Mrs. Jones' Third Grade WEEKLY BUZZ



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### Spelling

We started Unit 27 in our Spelling books on Monday. These are words with double consonants! On Monday, we completed pgs 164-165 in our spelling books for extra practice. We also wrote our spelling words 5 times each, wrote them in cursive, and played SPARKLE BOOM!. On Thursday, February 16, we will have spelling test #23 on Unit 27 words. We will begin unit 28 on Friday. This will be our last spelling unit before ISAT.

### Spelling Words

#### Unit 27

1. coming
2. skating
3. taking
4. giving
5. choosing
6. smiling
7. baking
8. sliding
9. changing
10. waving
11. leaving
12. making
13. hoping
14. trading
15. having
16. facing
17. saving
18. becoming
19. curving
20. loving



### Reading

*The Go-Around Dollar* is a realistic fiction piece that has a non-fiction part and a fiction part to it. The story was written by Barbara Johnston Adams. In the non-fiction part of each page, information on how paper money is made, circulated, and monitored is given. All paper money starts its life at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, is sent to one of 12 Federal Reserve Banks across our country and then goes out into public use. In the fiction part of each page, the students will be following a cartoon story of what MIGHT happen to a dollar bill one day.

### Announcements

- ✓ Reading Test on Thursday
- ✓ NO SCHOOL Friday, February 17th
- ✓ NO SCHOOL Monday, February 20—President's Day
- ✓ Spelling Test Unit 27: Thursday
- ✓ Zoo Field Trip Date: April 13th, 2012! We welcome all families to attend. We go rain or shine!!!
- ✓ ISAT Boot Camp has begun in our classroom and will replace English time for the next 3 weeks
- ✓ PTC Events in Feb. Valentine's Class Party: 2/14 @ 1:30, Ice Skating Night 2/24, 7-8:30

### Weekly Specials Rotation for Feb. 13-17, 2012

M(PE) Tu (Art) W(Music) Th(Library) F(No School)

### In other buzz-worthy news:

#### Cursive Writing:

We have learned to use cursive in most of our daily activities. The only time we are not using it, (it is NOT required, but some choose to) is on our spelling/ reading tests. We will continue with our poetry cursive journals this month as well!

#### ISAT Practice Update

We have been focusing on writing responses to a readings selection. We have also learned about perimeter, area, measurement, and volume... We will continue with these areas this week—AGAIN!

Math: Multiplication is going very well! We will tackle the first few simple multiplication

facts as well as lots of drill and practice. We will continue 15 min facts this week, which are part of the nightly homework. This homework will be required until all facts are mastered. There is a very special prize for students mastering their multiplication! Best wishes, Students!!

We will continue with our Multiplication practice in Chapter 5 and Geometry in Chapter 8!!!

#### English/Writing:

We will continue our study of "traits of good writers." We will also write persuasive essays, tall tales, fantasies, poems, and finally—extended responses to accompany our approaching ISAT tests! We are ALMOST perfected "Skittle Writing!" I'm so proud of our third graders!