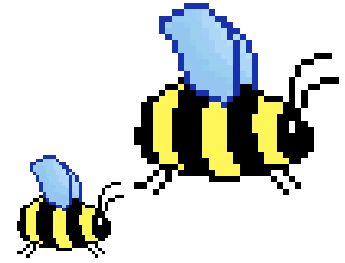


Weekly Buzz

Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade



February 10–14, 2014

2/10–2/14

Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

Spelling

We started Unit 21 in our Spelling books this week. These are words that contain the “ir” sound, spelled with ar, ir, ear, or ur!

By Tuesday, we will complete pgs. 138–141 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, February 13th**, we will have spelling test #211 on Unit 21 words. We will continue using cursive on our spelling tests this week (on words in which we feel comfortable).



Spelling Words Unit 21

1. word
 2. fur
 3. early
 4. circus
 5. turn
 6. skirt
 7. earth
 8. work
 9. curl
 10. learn
 11. hurt
 12. dirt
 13. earn
 14. shirt
 15. heard
- Bonus Words
16. curve
 17. worm
 18. pearl
 19. swirl
 20. whirl



Reading

Four Dollars and Fifty Cents was written by Eric Kimmel and is a story about a cowboy who owes some other cowboys some money – but he doesn’t want to pay his debt. In fact, he owes a lot of people money. When he sees Widow Macrae coming to collect a debt, his friends, the Circle K Boys, put him in a coffin and pretend he’s dead. Widow Macrae takes him to the graveyard to have a decent burial. Then, he had to either pay up, or he would be buried alive! Then, some cowboys come up to the graveyard looking for trouble. They see Shorty in his coffin, and think they should give him a proper burial too. They try to shut the lid but his nose is too big! They decide to cut off his nose to be able to shut the lid! Don’t worry, though! He suddenly declares that he “aint dead yet!”

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Announcements

- * Reading Test Friday
- * Spelling Test Thursday
- * DONATIONS NEEDED

A Whiteside family had a house fire Monday evening and while they all got out safely, their home was a complete loss. They are in need of many items, including:

- * new/gently used bedding, new/gently used clothing (including winter coats and pajamas) for two girls size 14 and size 16.

If you have any gently used items that you can part with, please send them to the Elementary office or to Mrs. Leritz.

- * Valentine’s Party: 1:30–2:30, Friday February 14th!

Weekly Specials Rotation for Feb. 10–14, 2014
M(Compu) Tu(PE) W(Art) Th(Music) F(Library)

In other buzz-worthy news:

Cursive Writing:

We will continue to slowly and surely incorporate cursive into our daily activities.

Science

This week, we will continue focus on electricity, but we will add magnetism to our studies. Some new vocabulary will be repel, attract, and electromagnetism.

Social Studies: Back to Science for awhile. Then, we will discuss local and federal government.

Math:

We will continue our Multipli-cation and Division Nightly Math Logs this month.

Due to inclement weather, we have not been able to use our math logs for an entire WEEK, but we are hopeful!! HA!

We started GEOMETRY this past week and the students are THRILLED! To explore lines, line segments, points, 2D, and 3D objects, we have been using some very high-tech tools: marshmallows and toothpicks. HA! Our kids have been doing a TREMENDOUS job!! Additionally, we are discussing polygons, quadrilaterals, the various types of triangles, parallel, perpendicular, and obtuse, acute, and right angles.

English/Writing:

This week, students will begin their commercials! They will create a plan, write in on an index card, and then practice for their big screen debut!

We have been CRAZY about IDIOMS!!! Our class did such a stellar job, that we are going to continue with figurative language. We also added quotations and dialogue to our English focus.

