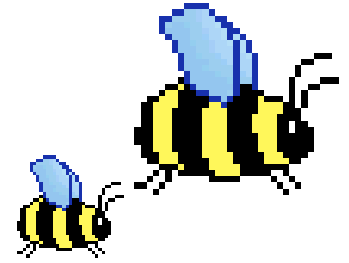


Weekly Buzz

Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade



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Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

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Spelling

We will start Unit 21 in our Spelling books on Monday. These are words that contain the "ir" sound, spelled with ar, ir, ear, or ur!

We will complete pgs. 138-143 in our spelling books for extra practice. We will also continue word work centers, write our spelling words in fun ways, in secret code, in pyramids, in ABC order, with probability spinners, and in JUICY sentences. As a fun way to review, we will have "study buddies." Finally, we will add "spelling stories" and Boggle to our list for word work

On **Thursday, Feb. 5th**, we will have spelling test #21 on Unit 21 words.

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. twirl
20. whirl



Reading

This week, we will read a wonderful story called, "A New Coat for Anna." This is a heartwarming story about a little girl who grew up during a war. Because of sure hardships her family faced during the war, Anna has to show enough patience to wait for an entire year for her mother to get her a new coat. Since Anna's mother does not have much money, she barter with a farmer, weaver, tailors, and a spinner in exchange for their services!

Vocabulary words:

1. weaver
2. strung
3. wound
4. bolt
5. remained

Announcements/Events

- ✓ Spelling Test on Unit 21 Words on Thursday, February 5th.
- ✓ New Coat for Anna test — February 6
- ✓ Feb 13, 1:30—2:30 Class Valentine's Day Party!

February PIC Events

- 20 Friday Family Reading Night at the Elementary School

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!!!
Our **ELEMENTARY SCIENCE NIGHT 2015** is scheduled for April 16th. As a committee member, event planner, and station "runner", I can say with **GREAT CONFIDENCE** that you will **NOT** want to miss this year's science fun!!!! We have a special guest coming for an awesome presentation as well. Entry fees will be \$1 per person, in the family, attending. Be sure to check your child's Bounce Back Folder in March for more information.

Weekly Specials Rotation for February 2—6, 2015
M (Art) Tu (Music) W (Library) Th (Compu) F (P.E)

In other buzz-worthy news:

Cursive:

Students will begin practicing cursive in their workbooks. Use of cursive is not mandatory in our daily activities or homework yet. :)

Science:

Students are still working hard as they tackle weather and climate in this fun Earth Science Unit!

This week, we will discuss hazardous/dangerous weather conditions, natural disasters, and the differences between watches and warnings. We will cover tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, tsunamis and volcanoes.

Math

This week we will continue with fractions. These students are **STILL** doing a **FANTASTIC** job! Hooray!! We will not completely forget about our multiplication facts, but we will shift our focus to "all things fractions." This week, we will cover more equivalent fractions, identifying whole fractions, and comparing fractions.

English

This week, we will continue using our previously learned English and writing skills to create awesome paragraphs and multi-paragraph pieces of writing. Additionally, we will begin our autobiographies! As we work through this process, we will learn about idioms. We will begin to add these forms of figurative language to our final copies.