

Whiteside School District 115

Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade Weekly Buzz

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Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

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Spelling

Spelling Words Unit 22

Reading

We started Unit 22 in our Spelling books on Tuesday. These are words that contain the "air" sound, spelled with are, ere, air! On Monday, we completed pgs 134-135 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, Jan 19 we will have spelling test #18 on Unit 22 words. We will begin the new Unit 23 on Friday!

1. bear
2. air
3. fare
4. pear
5. care
6. their
7. hair
8. bare
9. fair
10. there
11. pair
12. wear
13. chair
14. where
15. hare
16. armchair
17. barefoot
18. farewell
19. fairy tale
20. somewhere



Alexander highlights that wise decision making, though not easy, is very important when one is dealing with money. This story is about Alexander who squanders a sum of money given to him by his grandparents in a very short time, even though he "positively, absolutely" was planning on saving it. It is told with humor and the voice of a young boy. By stories end, he sadly realizes he has spent all his money on risky or foolish ventures — from gum that quickly loses its flavor, to bets, to garage sale cast-offs. He tried to regain his "rich-ness" by making a tooth fall out, looking for coins in the drugstore phone slots, bringing bottles back to the market, and inviting his grandparents back. None are successful money makers!

Announcements

- ✓ Reading Test on Friday
- ✓ Spelling Test on Unit 22 Words on Thursday
- ✓ Yearbook Orders
Yearbook Order forms and payment are due Jan 27th.
- ✓ Zoo Field Trip Date:
April 13th, 2012!
- ✓ ISAT Boot Camp has begun in our classroom and will replace Science/ Social Studies time for the next 6 weeks.
- ✓ Cursive Licenses and Calculator Licenses will be issued soon :) Please be on the look out for them =)

Weekly Specials Rotation for Jan. 17—20, 2012

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

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!

Social Studies / Science

Science and Social Studies will take a break after Christmas in order to prepare for ISAT. You won't see ISAT materials coming home yet because we keep most of them at school to practice until February.

Math:

We will continue with subtraction. We will learn how to subtract across several zeros, and to subtract by regrouping (borrowing). This will be a challenging week in math! We will quiz on Thursday over Chapter 4 Section B.

English/Writing:

We will complete our study of adjectives this week!! However, we will continue our fun and exciting Winter Adjective studies! We will also be studying written responses. This week, we will discuss story elements and making inferences, plots, setting, and identifying main ideas/characters!