

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

Announcements

We started Unit 22 in our Spelling books on Monday. 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 28 we will have spelling test #18 on Unit 22 words. We will test on Friday and 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!

- ✓ Reading Test on Friday
- ✓ Spelling Test on Unit 22 Words on Thursday
- ✓ Yearbook Orders due Jan 27
- ✓ NCLB Conference:

I will be attending a conference in Chicago from Monday, Feb. 7 - Thursday, Feb. 10. I will return Friday, Feb. 11. If you have any important notes, payments, questions, etc. please hold onto them until I return on the 11th.

Hopefully, I will have the same substitute teacher for the duration of the conference. As far as I know, this should be the only time I am away from our classroom this year. :)

Weekly Specials Rotation for Jan. 24—Jan. 28, 2011
M(P.E.) Tu(Art) W(Music) Th(Library) F(Compu Lab)

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 ISTA 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!

15 Min Facts will be coming home! Please be sure to practice at least 15 mins each night!

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!

