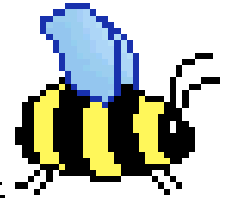


Weekly Buzz

Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade



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1/12–1/16

Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

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Spelling

Spelling Words

Reading

Announcements/Events

We will start Unit 18 in our Spelling books on Monday. These are review words/word patterns from the preview spelling units. The challenge words are some of the most commonly misspelled words by "writers," in our classroom.

We will complete pgs. 120–125 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, Jan. 15th**, we will have spelling test #18 on Unit 18 words.

Unit 18

1. blush
2. charm
3. cage
4. wren
5. await
6. gem
7. stung
8. siren
9. pitch

10. brace
11. stack
12. flood
13. aside
14. patch
15. rage

Bonus Words

1. people
2. patience
3. use
4. goes
5. another



A Cloak for a Dreamer is the story of a tailor and his three sons—Alex, Ivan, and Misha. Two of his sons know exactly what they want to do when they grow up – be tailors like their father. But the third son, Misha, is a dreamer and does not yet know where his imagination will take him.

One day, the Archduke orders new clothes for a trip, including 3 cloaks. The father asks all three of his sons to help him with the order by each making one of the 3 cloaks.

Misha's cloak is of great importance. I won't ruin the end of this story! Enjoy reading this wonderful tale of a boy's search for his dreams—and his father's display of love and support.

Vocabulary

fabric bolt (of fabric)
rectangle hexagon
pattern
triangle

✓ Cloak for a Dreamer test will be on 1/14

✓ Spelling Test on Unit 18 Words on **Thursday, Jan 15th**

✓ **No School** Monday, January 19th (MLK Jr. Day)

✓ **2:00 Dismissal** Wednesday, January 21st

January PTC Events

Jan 9 — Friday Fun Spot Skating 5–7 pm



Weekly Specials Rotation for January 12–16, 2015

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

In other buzz-worthy news:



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

RACK Week!

Our RACK week was a HUGE success. We visited ALL home-rooms in our building and even inspired other classes to join in on the giving and the fun! We will RAK again this spring!

Science:

Students kicked off our newest science unit — Earth Science— with a laugh! Students created weather-related riddles to accompany this unit's difficult and expansive vocabulary. This unit covers weather and climate. We will conduct daily data collections of weather data, chart local weather, and give our own forecasts for upcoming weeks, based on our data.

Math

This week we will continue with Unit 6 (Multiplication and Division). This unit ties both skills together and shows the inverse relationship between the two. We will also study patterns in a multiplication table (but will NOT be able to use them for homework, quizzes, or class work). Nightly fact practice folders and logs will begin soon.

English

This week, we will take all of our writing / English practice from the first 18 weeks of school and use those skills to create awesome paragraphs and multi-paragraph pieces of writing. The first few lessons in our "paragraph a day" unit will include personal reflections/memories, opinions, and information.

