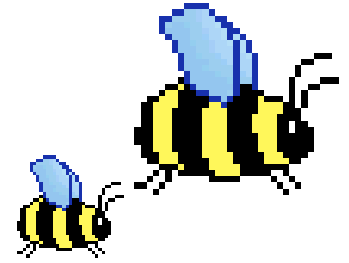


# Weekly Buzz

## Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade



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### Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

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#### Spelling

We will start Unit 20 in our Spelling books on Monday. These are words that contain the short "or" sound, spelled with or, ore, ar, and oar.

We will complete pgs. 132–137 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. 29th, we will have spelling test #20 on Unit 20 words.

#### Spelling Words

##### Unit 20

1. story
2. wore
3. north
4. board
5. form
6. corner
7. warm
8. score
9. morning
10. forget
11. before
12. storm
13. tore
14. order
15. war

##### Bonus Words

1. glory
2. hoarse
3. boredom
4. warn
20. warp



#### 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

- ✓ Picasso Reading Test Jan. 27
- ✓ Spelling Test on Unit 20 Words on Thursday, Jan 29th
- ✓ New Coat for Anna test — February 6
- ✓ Feb 13, 1:30—2:30 Class Valentine's Day Party!

##### February PTC Events

- 3 Tuesday PTC Meeting 7 pm at the Middle School
- 6 Friday Fun Spot Skating 5–7 pm
- 20 Friday Family Reading Night at the Elementary School

### Weekly Specials Rotation for January 26—30, 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 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 are still working hard as they tackle weather and climate in this fun Earth Science Unit!

We are still gathering daily weather data, charting local weather, and giving our own forecasts for upcoming weeks, based on our data.

**Math**  
This week we will continue with fractions. These students are doing a FANTASTIC job! Hooray!! We will not completely forget about our multiplication facts, but we will shift our focus to unit fractions. We will discuss parts of a whole, how to measure, count, and partition fractions. This can be a challenging unit, so we will take our time as we try to master our fraction

**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! If you haven't filled out the "tell us about your birth" letter in your child's folder, please do so over the weekend so we can begin this fun activity!