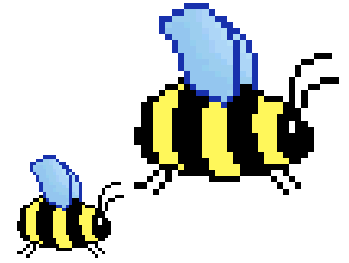


Weekly Buzz

Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade



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Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

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Spelling

Spelling Words

Reading

We started Unit 27 in our Spelling books on Monday. These are words with the suffix "ing."

By Tuesday, we will complete pgs. 178–183 in our spelling books, a spelling task, and spelling scrambles. We will also complete spelling tic-tac-know charts, write JUICY sentences, and place these words in ABC order for extra practice.

On Thursday, March 19th, we will have spelling test #27 on Unit 27 words. We will continue using cursive on our spelling tests this week (on words in which we feel comfortable).

- Unit 27
1. coming
 2. skating
 3. taking
 4. giving
 5. choosing
 6. smiling
 7. baking
 8. sliding
 9. changing
 10. waving
 11. leaving
 12. making
 13. hoping
 14. trading
 15. having
 16. facing
 17. saving
 18. becoming
 19. curving
 20. loving

Bonus Words



For the remaining days in March, we will be focusing on an author's study! Our featured author is the beloved Patricia Polacco!

Throughout the next several days, we will read, enjoy, discuss, and complete fun activities that accompany a variety of her most famous and loved books. We will kick off our study with a webquest about Patricia Polacco (author and illustrator).

From there, we will read, *My Rotten Red-Headed Older Brother*, *Just Plain Fancy*, *Thank You, Mr. Falker*, *For the Love of Autumn*, *The Bee Tree*, *Bully*, *Pink and Say*, *Chicken Sunday*, *Emma Kate*, and *The Keeping Quilt*.

To see her full collection of books or printables, feel free to visit: <http://www.patriciapolacco.com/>

Announcements/Events

- ✓ Spelling Test on Unit 27 Thursday, March 19th
- ✓ No Reading Test this week!
- ✓ March early dismissal day— canceled due to PARCC testing
- ✓ Tuesday, April 21—ZOO FIELD TRIP! Chaperones are ALWAYS welcome! More info to come in March!
- ✓ Trivia Night & Auction— March 28
- ✓ May fest and Carnival—May 19

Our **ELEMENTARY SCIENCE NIGHT 2015** is scheduled for April 16th.

Apologies— We have had some recent uncontrollable complications with our pregnancy that have forced me into the hospital for short periods of time, and have also forced me on bed rest for 2-3 day increments. Hopefully, things will calm down soon as we get further into our second trimester. I apologize for my recent absences— and any unplanned absences that occur in the future. As I have to remind myself...I am NOT in control. Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding. :)

Weekly Specials Rotation for March 16–20, 2015
M(Library) Tu(Compu) W(P.E.) Th(Art) F(Music)

In other buzz-worthy news:

Cursive:

We will add cursive to all morning work activities! We will also slowly incorporate cursive into our weekly spelling tests.

Science:

We are taking a quick break from science and switching to Social Studies. When we return, we will pick up with PHYSICAL SCIENCE—specifically Sir Isaac Newton!

Math

. After all PARCC testing is complete, we will jump right into our newest unit— GEOMETRY! We will study angles, polygons, triangles, quadrilaterals, and the partitioning of shapes. Hooray for Geometry!!!

English

We have just a few more weeks of "intense" writing before we kick-off our MYSTERY GENRE! This special unit will incorporate both reading and English class activities. While studying mysteries and enjoying mystery book clubs, we will use English time to create our own fabulous mysteries!