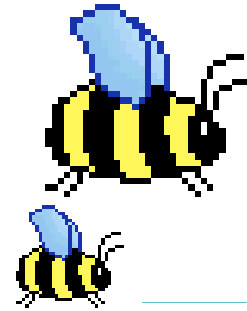


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Mrs. Jones' Third Grade WEEKLY BUZZ



March 19—March 23, 2012
1:30 Dismissal Wednesday, March 21st

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Spelling

We started Unit 32 in our Spelling books on Friday. These are irregular plurals! On Monday, we completed pgs 194-195 in our spelling books for extra practice. We also wrote our spelling words 3 times each in cursive, used them to practice fractions, wrote them in scrambled form, used special symbols, used ASL, and finally played SPARKLE BOOM! On **Thursday, March 22nd**, we will have spelling test #27 on Unit 32 words. We will begin Unit 34 on Friday!

Spelling Words

Unit 32

1. goose
2. woman
3. calf
4. fish
5. mouse
6. leaf
7. children
8. geese
9. calves
10. leaves
11. half
12. child
13. women
14. mice
15. halves
16. tuna
17. oxen
18. elf
19. elves
20. popcorn



Reading

Cows in the Parlor is an informational article. It discusses the activities of a dairy farm and describes a typical day as the cows are fed, milked, and put away for the night. We will also discuss the life cycle of a cow, differences between cows and bulls, heifers, bull calves, silage, and how milk travels from the farm to our refrigerators. We will use several virtual farms online, as well as view footage of dairy farms across America. Students seem to enjoy this non-fictional article, and are very interested in the different types of cows. We will discuss America's four major dairy cows.

Announcements

- ✓ **Reading Test on Friday**
- ✓ **Spelling Test on Unit 32 Words on Thursday**
- ✓ **1:30 Dismissal Wednesday, March 21st.**
- ✓ **PTC Events Mar/April Trivia Night: 4/14**
- ✓ **Field Trip**—Our zoo field trip is scheduled for Friday, April 13th. Permission slips and \$ are due April 9th. More info will come home soon!
- ✓ **Chaperones**: We are happy to take as many chaperones as possible, so feel free to join us! The bus leaves at 8:45. Chaperones, please meet us at the Living World entrance.. Directions/maps will be coming home soon!



Weekly Specials Rotation for March 19—March 23, 2012

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

In other buzz-worthy news:



Cursive Writing:

. We have begun our "Cool Cursive Club!" So far, we have 15 students with their cursive licenses! Best Wishes, Third Grades!

We will continue cursive poetry this week. Very soon, all of our work will be in cursive!

Social Studies / Science

Last week, we discussed local/state government. We learned about rules and laws, taxes, and the function of local government. We also briefly discussed symbols and voting. This week, we will have an mayoral election, create a city council in our classroom, plan city budgets, and create our very own classroom city.

Additionally, we will discuss the three branches of government and briefly touch on each branch's powers/duties

Math:

This week, we will begin DIVISION!! We have been very excited to start dividing. We will begin with jelly bean division, and discuss the associative/communicative properties. Fact families will help us tremendously as well!

English/Writing:

We are beginning our second "Class Mystery" in our genre study!!! We truly are SUPER SLUETHS! We have become great note-takers and take our detective work very seriously. Be sure to ask your child about the "invisible island mystery!" This is such a fun unit!! Next week, we will break into detective groups!