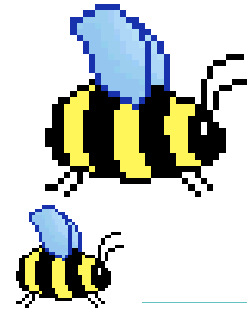


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Mrs. Jones' Third Grade WEEKLY BUZZ



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Spelling

We started Unit 31 in our Spelling books on Monday. These are contraction words! On Monday, we completed pgs 188-189 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, March 25th, we will have spelling test #26 on Unit 31 words. We will begin Unit 32 on Friday!

Spelling Words

Unit 31

1. lines
2. flags
3. inches
4. dresses
5. pies
6. bushes
7. classes
8. apples
9. colors
10. drums
11. branches
12. things
13. buses
14. benches
15. tracks
16. brushes
17. switches
18. walruses
19. endpoints
20. segments



Reading

This week's story is titled "Leah's Pony." Leah's parents are farmers in the Great Plains of the 1930s. Amid locusts and drought, their bank forecloses on its loan, ordering a farm auction. Leah sells her beloved pony and uses the money to bid one dollar for her father's tractor. No one has the heart to outbid her. Her action inspires others at the auction to buy the rest of the goods for ridiculously low bids and return everything to Leah's family.

Vocabulary:

Gully
Cultivate
Auction
Pasture
Saddle

Announcements

- ✓ **Reading Test on Friday**
- ✓ **Spelling Test on Unit 31 Words on Thursday**
- ✓ **Spring Pictures have been sent home. Please carefully read note attached and send pictures and/or payment to school ASAP. Thank you! The last day to turn in money and/or return Spring Pictures for the Elementary is Monday, March 28th**



Weekly Specials Rotation for March 21-25, 2011

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

In other buzz-worthy news:



Cursive Writing:

We have been using cursive throughout our school day—and we are doing well. It takes much practice, but we are definitely improving each day. We will continue cursive journals (poetry) and add a special cursive story starters jour-

nal this week!

Social Studies / Science

Last week we discussed types of eaters, food chains, food webs, and more adaptations of animals. This week, we will begin our exploration of the classification of vertebrates!

Math:

We are slowly going through

all facts (1 X—12X) in multiplication this week. We have mastered X2,X5,X10. The hardest facts will be X3, X7, X8. Please be sure to practice practice practice!

10 Min Facts are coming home! Please be sure to practice at least 10 mins each night! These are VERY important in mastering multiplication.

English/Writing:

We ended last week with some fun St. Patrick's Day themed writing such as "Lucky Me," "The Leprechaun, and "Irish Lingo!" This week we will bring our focus to writing good sentences, editing, grammar usage and noun/verb agreement.