Whiteside School District 115



Mrs. Jones' Third Grade WEEKLY BUZZ



March 25—March 29, 2013 Spring Break! March 28—April 1

3/25-3/29

| <u>Spelling</u> | Spelling Words | Reading |
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| | <u>Unit 32</u> | This week's story is titled, "The |
| | | Keeping Quilt," by Patricia |
| We started Unit 32 in our | Igoose | Polacco. In this story, a Russian |
| Spelling books on Friday | 2. woman | girl describes the journey her |
| These are irregular plurals. On | 3. calf | |
| Monday, we completed | 4. fish | family quilt has had throughout |
| pgs. 194–199 in our | 5. mouse | the years. She talks about how |
| spelling books for extra practice. | 6. leaf | the quilt served as a wedding |
| We will also write our spelling | 7. children | huppah, a tent, a blanket, a |
| words 3 times each in cursive, in | 8. geese | tablecloth, and a dress-up |
| ABC Order, include these words | | cape! She remembers when her |
| in a spelling story, use perimeter | i, caives | mother and grandmother |
| and area to measure our words, | II. half | described where each piece of |
| write in secret code, with place | | fabric came from—some from |
| ' | 12. child | family members' dresses, |
| value blocks, on a keyboard, and | | babushkas, scarves, shirts, |
| we will play spelling bingo for | 14. mice | handkerchiefs, etc. We |
| extra practice. Finally, we will | 15. halves | discussed what types of things |
| add "perimeter and area | Bonus Words | were passed down through our |
| spelling" to our list for word work | | families, from generation to |
| On Wednesday, we | 17. oxen | generation. Most of us could |
| will have spelling test #28 on | 18. elf | remember special recipes that |
| Unit 32 words. | 19. elves | |
| This test will be in cursive. | 20. popcorn | had been passes on through th |
| | 1 1 | generations. Enjoy this |
| | | wonderful story with your child |

Announcements

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- ✓ No reading test!
- ✓ Spelling TestWednesday
- ✓ All Fees (Library, Lunch, Spring Pictures, Registration, etc.) are due before our field trip.
- ✓ Spring Break:
 March 28, 29, 30,
 31, and April 1.
 School resumes on
 April 2. Enjoy!
- ✓ Zoo Field Trip
 April 24th: Please
 remember,
 Chaperones must
 have background
 checks in order to
 attend.

English/Writing:

We will continue to brush up on our writing/editing skills, break into writer's workshop groups, practice cursive, and develop expository and persuasive writing.

We are well on our way to becoming "Mystery Detectives!" We completed ourfirst task: The Missing Mummy Mystery and had a great time. This week, students will be assigned to their own mysteries, complete with case files!

Cursive Writing:

We have begun our "Cool Cursive Club!" So far, we have 12 students with their cursive licenses! Best Wishes!

We will also begin cursive poetry this week. All of our work will be completed in cursive (unless, of course, you have a license!)

Social Studies / Science

We will conclude our study of local government this week with a mayoral election in our classroom. Our test will be March 26th. We will hold three council meetings when we return from spring break—and hopefully have a visit from a local mayor!

Math:

Division has been going
EXDTREMELY well! I am so
proud of your children! It is
amazing how easy division
can be when you know your m
multiplication facts.:) We will
continue division, quiz on
Friday, and have fun jelly
bean lessons before break.