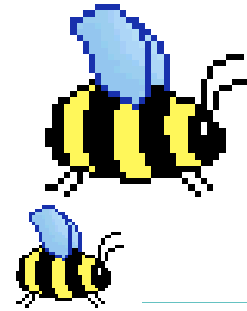


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Mrs. Jones' Third Grade WEEKLY BUZZ



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Spelling

We started Unit 33 in our Spelling books on Friday. These are irregular plurals! On Monday, we completed pgs 200-202 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 #28 on Unit 33 words. We will begin Unit 34 on Friday!

Spelling Words

Unit 33

- 1) larger
- 2) sadder
- 3) widest
- 4) sharper
- 5) closest
- 6) hotter
- 7) saddest
- 8) redder
- 9) reddest
- 10) wider
- 11) later
- 12) largest
- 13) closer
- 14) hottest
- 15) latest
- 16) braver
- 17) bravest
- 18) flatter
- 19) flattest
- 20) smoothest



Reading

Just Plain Fancy is the story of a young Amish girl, Naomi who longs to have something fancy in her life. One day as she and her sister are searching the field for eggs, they stumble upon a peculiar-looking one. The girls slip the egg into the nest and when it hatches, they name the "chick" Fancy. As Fancy grows he certainly lives up to his name, and Naomi is frightened that the Amish community will shun the beautiful creature. During the frolic the next morning, Fancy unexpectedly escapes the henhouse, and runs toward the elders... "At that moment, pleased with all the attention, Fancy ruffles his feathers and did for the guests what he had done for the girls in the henhouse the day before. Those who weren't speechless were stunned!

Announcements

- ✓ **Reading Test on Friday**
- ✓ **Spelling Test on Unit 33 Words on Thursday**
- ✓ **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. Chaperones are NOT charged to go on our field trip.
- ✓ **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 26—30, 2012

M(Music) Tu(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 (a bit more). We also created our own mayoral posters, "agendas" if we were elected mayor of our city, and learned about the voting process. 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: We will continue DIVISION!! Fact families will help us tremendously as well! It is VERY IMPORTANT to master the multiplication facts to be successful dividers.

Please continue working with your child. We really want to move away from using our fingers.

English/Writing:

We are continuing 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 "missing mummy mystery!" This is such a fun unit!! This week we will break into detective groups, conduct case studies, and write case reports!