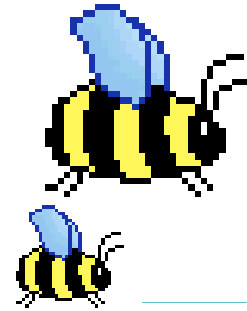


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Mrs. Jones' Third Grade WEEKLY BUZZ



May 16–20, 2011

5/16—5/20

Spelling

Spelling Words Friends Unit

Reading

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We started our FRIENDS UNIT on Friday. These are all of our names!. We will not have any spelling book practice to accompany this unit, so please study carefully. We also wrote our spelling words 5 times each , wrote them in cursive, and played SPARKLE BOOM CRASH and cursive spelling BINGO!. We are getting really good at this game! On Thursday, May 19, we will take test 33 and FINAL TEST on FRIENDS Init words. HOORAY!!!!!!!!

- 1) Arianna
- 2) Caleb
- 3) Elizabeth
- 4) Demandria
- 5) Jerel
- 6) Kiyah
- 7) Ashlyn
- 8) Noah
- 9) Joseph
- 10) Justin
- 11) Logan
- 12) Samuel
- 13) Ann Marie
- 14) Lauren
- 15) Anna
- 16) Yanisha
- 17) Eilish
- 18) Zach
- 19) LaBreda
- 20) Alexandra
- 21) Marcus
- 22) Dylan
- 23) Javoncyce
- 24) Malcolm



This week's story is titled, "The Keeping Quilt," by Patricia Polacco. In this story, a Russian girl describes the journey her family quilt has had throughout the years. She talks about how the quilt served as a wedding huppah, a tent, a blanket, a tablecloth, and a dress-up cape! She remembers when her mother and grandmother described where each piece of fabric came from—some from family members' dresses, babushkas, scarves, shirts, handkerchiefs, etc. We discussed what types of things were passed down through our families, from generation to generation. Most of us could remember special recipes that had been passes on through the generations. Enjoy this wonderful story with your child.

Announcements

- ✓ **LAST Reading Test on Friday!**
- ✓ The BOGO Book Fair begins May 18th. Students may visit during carnival time with families or individually before or after school.
- ✓ **Spelling Test on FRIENDS Unit Words on Thursday**
- ✓ FLASHBACK of THIRD GRADE begins this week. Please see your child's BEE Folder for assignment dates. Poster day is May 19th.
- ✓ Please check the BACK of this newsletter for an end of the year announcement page. Thanks!

Weekly Specials Rotation for May 16—May 20th
M(Art) Tu(Music) W, Th, F (MAY FEST PRACTICE)

In other buzz-worthy news:

Cursive Writing:

Cursive has become a part of our FULL day at school. We have noticed that our fingers get very sore after writing all morning. If you notice your child's fingers are sore, please remind him/her to use a lighter grip when holding a pen/

pencil. :-). This will also help with forming letters and having a neater finished product.

Social Studies / Science

During Science, we have been creating snapshots of each planet. We have also discussed the Sun and its importance to us! We will continue with planets, galaxies, stars, and asteroids!

Math:

We FLEW through division! Wow!!!! Now, we are carefully reviewing all 12 chapters we have covered this year. We will use games, puzzles, and worksheets to help us review.

English/Writing:

MYSTERY DETECTIVES has been going so well! We will continue this for the rest of the school year. Be sure to check your child's folder this week for CLUES!!! SOMEONE HAS STOLEN OUR CLASS TURTLE!!! Can you help your 3rd grade detective figure out WHO DID IT?!?!?!?!?!?!?