

Whiteside School District 115

Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade Weekly Buzz

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Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

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Spelling

We started Unit 14 in our Spelling books last Monday. These are words that contain the long "i" vowel -such as leave and street. On Monday, we completed pgs 86-87 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, Nov. 18, we will have spelling test #11 on Unit 14 words. We will test on Thursday and begin the new Unit 15 Spelling words on Friday.

Spelling Words

Unit 14

1. change
2. fence
3. space
4. age
5. center
6. large
7. since
8. price
9. page
10. ice
11. dance
12. pencil
13. slice
14. place
15. city
16. cedar
17. cider
18. pounce
19. plunge
20. nudge



Reading

The sixth story of our city wildlife, unit 2 focus, is titled, "Secret Place. This story is about a little boy who finds a quiet place, full of nature, amidst the concrete and clamor of the city. Where a hidden river runs through a cement canyon, the boy and his small band of adult friends find patches of green and evidence that nature has persevered: sparrows, of course, but also green-winged teals, buffleheads, mallards, a white egret and ducklings. Nighttime brings other marvels: a coyote, a mother possum with babies clinging to her back.

Announcements

- ✓ Reading Test on Friday
- ✓ Spelling Test on Unit 14 Words on Thursday
- ✓ Picture Retake Day November 23, 2010

Reading Vocabulary

shallow – not deep
 concrete – a hard building material
 slopes – upward or downward slants; not level
 plumes – long feathers
 shadowed – covered in shadow; partially hidden
 wilderness – an area undisturbed by human activity or rules

Weekly Specials Rotation for Nov. 15—19, 2010

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

In other buzz-worthy news:

Cursive Writing:

We will continue to add students to our "cool cursive club." This very special honor begins with a quick cursive writing quiz. We also started our "poetry journals." During this time, we copy cursive poems into our journals and illustrate what we envision

when reading these selected poems! What a huge honor! Best wishes, third graders!!!

Social Studies

We will continue our study of communities with our last section of landforms. We will conclude this chapter with a test and map project. Please be looking for this in your child's BEE Folder.

Science:

We will come back to this soon!

Math:

Chapter 3 is all about addition! We learn new and exciting ways to add numbers using a hundreds chart, mental math, and carrying! We will end this chapter with money! We will definitely take our time during the money section! It is ALWAYS difficult on the test.

English/Writing:

We will continue with verbs this week. During writing time, we completed our "Packing for a Voyage" papers. We will also begin our November narrative writing assignments, as well as some creative writing and cursive poetry!