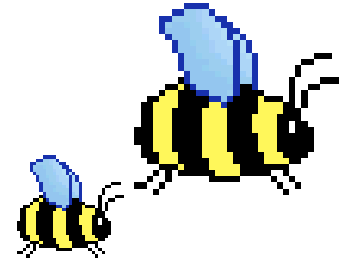


# Weekly Buzz

## Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade



\*November 10-14, 2014

11/10 -11/14

### Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

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#### Spelling

#### Spelling Words

#### Reading

We started Unit 12 in our Spelling books Monday. This is a review unit, comprised of words from units 7-11.

Next week, we will complete pgs. 82-87 in our spelling books for extra practice. We will also continue word-work centers, write our spelling words in fun ways, in secret code, in pyramids, in ABC Order, with probability spinners, and in JUICY sentences. As a fun way to review, we will have "study buddies."

On **Thursday, Nov. 13th**, we will have spelling test #12 on Unit 12 words.

#### Unit 12

1. stripe
  2. bail
  3. cream
  4. blind
  5. groan
  6. sold
  7. thigh
  8. bead
  9. bait
  10. brave
  11. fellow
  12. rind
  13. creep
  14. sway
  15. grove
- Bonus Words:**
16. observation
  17. procedure
  18. hypothesis
  19. conclusion
  20. materials



Our next city wildlife-focus story is titled, "Make Way for Duckling." It's not easy for duck parents to find a safe place to bring up their ducklings! During a rest stop in Boston's Public Garden, Mr. and Mrs. Mallard think they just might have found the perfect spot--no foxes or turtles in sight, plenty of peanuts from pleasant passers-by, and the benevolent instincts of a kindly police officer to boot! Enjoy reading this wonderful story!

#### Skills:

We will cover: Fantasy vs Reality, Cause/Effect, Main Idea/Details, Sequencing, Character Traits, and Summarizing with this story.

✓ Make Way for Ducklings is our newest reading story. This test will be on 11/17.

✓ Spelling Test on Unit 12 Words on Nov. 13th

✓ No School, Tuesday, Nov. 11 (Veteran's day)

✓ Nov. 19  
Early Dismissal (2:00 P.M.)

✓ Nov. 26-28  
Thanksgiving Break - No School

#### November PTC Events:

7--Friday Fun Spot  
Skating 5-7 pm

21--Friday Family Movie  
Night at the Elementary  
School MPR

**Weekly Specials Rotation for November 10-14, 2014**  
M(Art) Tu(No School) W(Music) Th(Library) Fr (Compu)

### In other buzz-worthy news:

#### Cursive Writing:

We will slowly introduce cursive writing into our daily activities this year. Most students learned this skill in 2nd grade (Hooray!). We will begin by writing our names, spelling words, and the alphabet in cursive. We will practice daily,

but will NOT start completing tests/classwork in cursive until after winter break.

#### Science:

(This is a repeat due to my illness last week.) We will finish our study of "animal-inspired technology" and shift our focus to environmental changes and healthy habits.

#### Math

We will begin MULTIPLICATION this week!!! Unit 4 focuses on the understanding of multiplication as repeated addition, making arrays, and how multiplication and addition are related. Math Facts Logs will be coming home soon. :)

#### English

We will continue our non-fictional writing unit this week. We will continue to discuss text features, using informational text, and how to "read" informational text, while utilizing the writing process. We will also discuss plural nouns within our informational writing. We will focus on regular and irregular nouns.