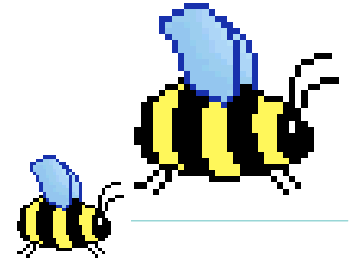




Weekly Buzz

Mrs. Jones'

3rd Grade



November 18 – 22, 2013

11/18 - 11/22

Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

Spelling

We started Unit 13 in our Spelling books Monday. These are words that have the digraphs: sh, th, or ch.

On Tuesday, we will complete pgs. 88–89 in our spelling books for extra practice. We will also complete spelling tic-tac-toe charts, write JUICY sentences, and play spelling bingo for extra practice. Finally, we will add subtraction word detectives, and word webs to our list of word work.

On Thursday, November 21st, we will have spelling test #13 on Unit 13 words. We will continue using cursive on our spelling tests this week (on words in which we feel comfortable).

Spelling Words Unit 13

1. shape
2. church
3. watch
4. father
5. wrap
6. check
7. finish
8. sharp
9. mother
10. write
11. catch
12. chase
13. shall
14. thick
15. wrote



Bonus Words

1. chance
2. hatch
3. seashore
4. shipwreck
5. depth

Reading

A Cloak for a Dreamer is the story of a tailor and his three sons—Alex, Ivan, and Mischa. Two of his sons know exactly what they want to do when they grow up – be tailors like their father. But the third son, Misha, is a dreamer and does not yet know where his imagination will take him.

One day, the Archduke orders new clothes for a trip, including 3 cloaks. The father asks all three of his sons to help him with the order by each making one of the 3 cloaks.

Misha's cloak is of great importance. I won't ruin the end of this story! Enjoy reading this wonderful tale of a boy's search for his dreams—and his father's display of love and support.

Vocabulary

fabric bolt (of fabric)
rectangle hexagon
pattern
triangle

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Announcements

- ✓ Reading Test on Friday
- ✓ Spelling Test on Unit 13 Words on Thursday
- ✓ 2:00 Dismissal Nov. 20
- ✓ No School Nov. 27–29
- ✓ December 6—Gingerbread Night!
- ✓ Food Drive Information: Our school collected WELL over 1,000 donations!!! Hooray!! We will have a gym jam before break! Thank you so much for your generous donations!

Weekly Specials Rotation for Nov. 18–22, 2013

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

In other buzz-worthy news:

Cursive Writing:

We will continue to slowly and surely incorporate cursive into our daily activities.

Science

Last week, we started our newest science unit titled, "Earth Science." Our first investigation discussed weather and climate. We learned about predicting

the weather, and what factors contribute to the weather in our area of the world. We also check the weather (pressure, humidity, wind speed/direction) to determine if precipitation was possible—and what type of precipitation. This week, we will focus on weather and climate related vocabulary as well as create our own daily weather logs.

Math:

Our new math series combines both multiplication and division concepts before specific fact-mastery—which is why we started our division mini unit last week. We will continue to focus on both multiplication and division—as well as their relationships with addition, subtraction, and each other. As a class, we have mastered our x2 and x5. We will focus on x3 and x4 this week.

English/Writing:

This week, we will start putting our own informational writing ideas into rough drafts. So far, we have learned SEVEN various strategies for gathering information and creating TOPICS and SUBTOPICS. Our latest strategy involves using cause and effect, compare/contrast, sequencing, and descriptions to writing an informational essay.

