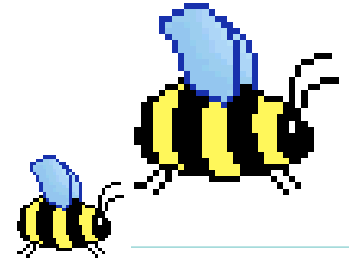




Weekly Buzz

Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade



October 15–19, 2012

10/15 - 10/19

Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

Spelling

We started Unit 9 in our Spelling books Monday. These are words that contain the long “e” vowel –such as leave and street.

On Monday, we will complete pgs. 56–57 in our spelling books for extra practice. We will also write our spelling words 3 times each in cursive,, in ABC Order, in JUICY sentences, scrambled, in a crossword puzzle, and we will play SPARKLE BOOM and spelling bingo for extra practice. Finally, we will add “rounding spelling” to our list for word work and WORD DETECTIVES!

On Thursday, October 18th, we will have spelling test #8 on Unit 9 words. This will be in cursive! We will begin Unit 10 on Friday.

Spelling Words

Unit 9

sheep
dream
street
east
treat
mean
wheels
peace
real
cheese
leave
stream
sweet
teacher
heat

Bonus Words

peanut
scream
peacock
greet
sleeping

Reading

The third story of our city wildlife, unit 2 focus, 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!

VOCABULARY

enormous – very large, huge
delighted – very happy, pleased
cozy – warm and comfortable
bursting – filled and overflowing with strong emotion
responsibility – important job, duty
beckoned – made a sign or

Volume 5 Issue 9

Announcements

- ✓ Reading Test on Friday
- ✓ Spelling Test on Unit 9 Words on Thursday,
- ✓ We earned our THIRD party! I'm so proud of your child! Wow!!!!
- ✓ 200 Dismissal October 17th.
- ✓ Spaghetti Dinner Ticket Order Forms have been sent home. 10/24/12 from 4:30–7:00
- ✓ Trunk or Treat forms have been sent home. 10/27/12
- ✓ School Picture information will be coming home soon!
- ✓ Book Fair: Oct 22–26
- ✓ School Halloween Parties: Wednesday, Oct 31st
- ✓ Boat It has started in our classroom!
- ✓ Gingerbread House Night: Friday, November 30th
- ✓ Side note: This is THE MOST polite, respectful, and kind class I have EVER experienced in 10 years. Pat yourselves on the back—your children are amazing!! :)

Weekly Specials Rotation for October 15–19, 2012
M(Library) Tu (Compu) W (P.E.) Th (Art) Fr (Music.)

In other buzz-worthy news:

Cursive Writing:

We took our second spelling test in cursive last week and have started slowly using it in our daily work. This is something we will continue to practice each day!

We also are continuing our poetry journals!

Science

This week, we continued discussing responses (reactions) to environments. We will discuss with plants and move on to animals later in the school year! The last section of this unit will discuss plant needs, photosynthesis, and energy. We will dissected lima beans to view the embryos, seed coat, and “meat” of the seed

Math:

We are having a great TIME discussing TIME in class!! We will started with time to the nearest minute, 5 min., 15 min., using various ways to write the time, and will finish with elapsed time. By the end of this unit, we will NEVER have to ask the question, “What time is it?” again! Be sure to encourage your child to state the time at various times of the day. We will DEFININTELY take our TIME with TIME.

English/Writing:

We have been learning about various types of nouns. This week, our focus will be plural and irregular nouns.

We will also tackle paragraph writing this week by utilizing the skills we have learned so far. We will focus on using great introductions, transition words, and descriptive, juicy sentences.

