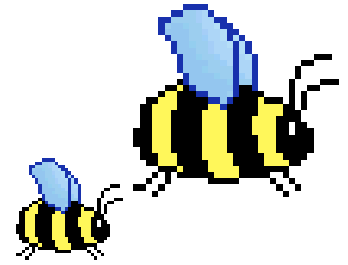


Whiteside School District 115

Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade Weekly Buzz



October 17—October 21, 2011

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Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

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Spelling

We started Unit 10 in our Spelling books on Friday. =) Monday. These are words that contain the long "i" vowel—such as leave and street. On Monday, we completed pgs 62-63 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, Oct 20th, we will have spelling test #8 on Unit 10 words. We will begin the new Unit 11 Spelling words on Monday.

Spelling Words Unit 10

1. night
2. bright
3. find
4. light
5. wild
6. high
7. blind
8. fight
9. sight
10. kind
11. sign
12. knight
13. mild
14. right
15. sigh
16. nightmare
17. highlight
18. grind
19. rewind
20. wildcat



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, but 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 signal to someone to have them come closer

Announcements

- ✓ Reading Test on Thursday
- ✓ Spelling Test on Unit 10 Words on Thursday
- ✓ Spaghetti Dinner/Glee Club Performance: Wednesday, October 19th
- ✓ No School—Friday, October 21st
- ✓ Trick-or Trunk: Saturday, October 29th, 6PM-8PM.
- ✓ Book Fair: October 14th until October 20th.

Weekly Specials Rotation for October 17-21, 2011

M(Art) Tu(Music) W(Library) Th (Compu Lab) F(No School)

In other buzz-worthy news:

Cursive Writing:

We will begin adding students to our "cool cursive club." This very special honor begins with a quick cursive writing quiz. Once students pass, their name is displayed in our hallway—and they may do all work in cursive! They also

receive a special Cursive License! What a huge honor! Best wishes, third graders!!!

Social Studies

We will pick up our study of communities in November with focus on rights and responsibilities of its citizens! We will also talk about taxes and community services.

Science This week, we will do a short mini-unit on the life cycle of a pumpkin, practicing

scientific skills such as making observations, hypotheses, estimations, and taking good notes!

Math:

This week, our Ch 2 math focus will be on time. We will begin with telling time to the nearest 5 minutes, 15 minutes, and finally discuss ELAPSED TIME. This is difficult for most students. We will take this slowly!

English/Writing:

We have almost finished chapter 3, but we will be taking a short break this week to complete our fun October writing, such as Monsters in a Jar, Leaf People, and Rotten Recipes during writing workshop. Our kiddos are working very hard on them! We will also work on DESCRIPTIVE writing with Pop Rocks!!!!!!

