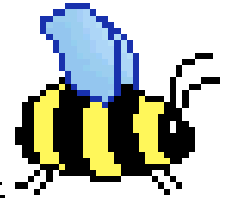


Weekly Buzz

Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade



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Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

Reading

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Spelling

We started Unit 2 in our Spelling books on Friday. These are words that contain either a short "O" vowel sound or a short "e" vowel sound.

On Tuesday, we will complete pgs. 14–15 in our spelling books for extra practice. We will also write our spelling words 5 times each, in ABC Order, in JUICY sentences, and we will play SPARKLE BOOM and spelling bingo for extra practice.

On Thursday, September 6th, we will have spelling test #2 on Unit 2 words. We will begin the new Unit 3 Spelling words on Friday, September 7th.

Spelling Words

Unit 2

1. crop
2. test
3. clock
4. spent
5. drop
6. left
7. sled
8. plot
9. spend
10. west
11. block
12. tent
13. desk
14. flock
15. nest



Bonus Words

(these are tested too!)

16. lemon
17. welcome
18. necklace
19. empty
20. pocket

This week's story is "The Tree House." Chrissy is thrilled when her grandfather builds her the best tree house she has ever seen. When her friend, Leah, asks to come up, Chrissy says, "No, it's just for me." Leah decides to have a tree house built too. Each girl spends time alone in her tree house, and they do not speak to each other. Chrissy is lonely in her tree house. She calls Leah in her tree house to borrow a book. This breaks the ice. They begin sharing things back and forth. Chrissy gets the idea that a bridge between the two tree houses would enable them to visit each other easily. Somehow, each house is now more special because they can each share it with a friend. We will test on Friday! Best Wishes Third Graders!

Announcements

- ✓ Reading Test on Friday—we will complete this independently with assistance when needed.
- ✓ Spelling Test on Unit 2 Words on Thursday,
- ✓ We are well on our way to earning another party! (This is going to be a very expensive year!) I'm so proud of your child! WOW!!!!
- ✓ Please be sure to send \$5 to the main office to purchase recorders for Music Class.
- ✓ Reading Vocabulary: marvelous, magnificent, beautiful, peered, height

Weekly Specials Rotation for September 3—7, 2012

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

In other buzz-worthy news:

Cursive Writing:

We will slowly introduce cursive writing to our third grade students this year. Most students have learned parts of this skill in 2nd grade. We will begin by writing our names and the alphabet in cursive. We will practice daily, but will NOT start completing tests/classwork in cursive until after

winter break.

Social Studies

We concluded our studies of map skills last week and have been busy learning the seven continents and four oceans (although some people consider the "Southern Ocean" to be the 5th ocean.) A Study Guide was sent home over the weekend for extra practice. Our test will be Friday, September 7th.

Math:

We completed our introduction lessons to bar graphs, pictographs, line graphs, and tally charts. This week, we will focus on in-out machines and word problems. We will also learn how to interpret data from graphs in order to solve word problems and create our own graphs.

English/Writing:

This week, we will focus on writing good sentences, proper/common nouns, abbreviations, and punctuation. Quotation marks and commas can be tricky, so please be sure to check your child's work for understanding of the concept. We will practice, practice, practice!!

