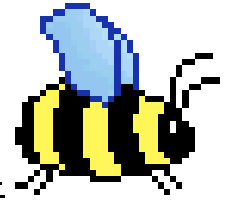


Weekly Buzz

Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade



*September 29— Oct. 3 , 2014

9/29—10/3

Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

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Spelling

We will start Unit 6 in our Spelling books on Friday. These are a combination of words from units 1-5.

Next week, we will complete pgs. 44-49 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, and in JUICY sentences. As a fun way to review, we will have "study buddies."

On **Thursday, Oct 2nd**, we will have spelling test #6 on Unit 6 words. We will begin the new Unit 7 Spelling words on Friday, October 3rd. This is a review unit of units 1-5.

Spelling Words

Review Unit 6

1. hound
2. bent
3. son
4. trim
5. toil
6. damp
7. fund
8. groom
9. shock
10. coop
11. ton
12. stout
13. track
14. troop
15. lend

Bonus Words

16. nothing
17. because
18. where
19. were
20. maybe



Reading

Our fourth story is a tremendous demonstration of courage, loyalty, and friendship. "Teammates" is a true story that discusses the courage of three men: Jackie Robinson, who became the first African-American baseball player in the major leagues; Branch Rickey, who hired Robinson to play for the Brooklyn Dodgers; and Pee Wee Reese, who befriended Jackie Robinson and risked the rejection of his teammates and fans.

The movie "42" was based off this true story. It is a fabulous movie! We will not be viewing it at school, due to the PG-13 rating and language, but if you have a chance, check it out!

This is a VERY difficult story for 3rd grade students, but an excellent one to read! We will spend EXTRA time going over vocabulary, main ideas, and characters.

- ✓ Reading Test on Rugby and Rosie , Sept 29th
- ✓ Reading Test on Teammates, October 9th.
- ✓ Spelling Test on Unit 6 Words on Oct.2nd.
- ✓ Glee Club Practices begin! (Wed and Fri during lunch recess)

October PTC Events:

7—Tuesday **PTC Meeting**
7 pm at the Middle School

14—Tuesday **Scholastic Book Fair** thru October 20th

15—Wednesday **Spaghetti Dinner** in Elementary School MPR

17—Friday **Fun Spot** Skating 5-7 pm

18—Saturday **Trick or Trunk**

Weekly Specials Rotation for September 29— October 3, 2014

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

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 week, we will continue our first science unit, titled, "Life Science." We LOVE being scientists! We will focus on life cycles, making observations, and animal behavior.

Math

This week, we continue our in-depth study of Addition. We will continue to utilize the three properties of addition to assist of with our addition work. We will also continue to use tables and 100s charts. Finally, we will begin adding 3 and 4 digits numbers (first on grid paper) and then horizontally.

English

Our personal narratives are really coming along well! This tends to be a lengthy process, but the final results are AMAZING! Our rough drafts are starting to take shape. We are adding subject/verb agreement and details. Next stop: editing/ revising.

