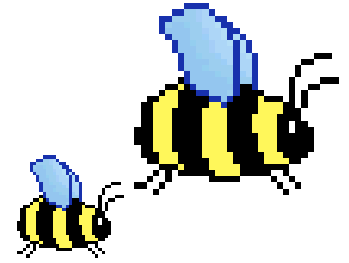


Weekly Buzz

Mrs. Jones' 3rd Grade



*September 8—12, 2014

9/8—9/12

Spelling Test! Reading Test! OH MY!

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Spelling

We will start Unit 3 in our Spelling books on Friday. These are words that contain a short "u" vowel sound, as in "love" or "lunch."

Next week, we will complete pgs. 26–31 in our spelling books for extra practice. We will also 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, Sept 11th**, we will have spelling test #3 on Unit 3 words. We will begin the new Unit 4 Spelling words on Friday, Sept. 12th.

Spelling Words

Unit 3

lunch
unit
cover
buzz
become
stuff

nothing
dull
month
study
love
uncle
cuff
none
under

Bonus Words

trunk
bushel
bucket
ugly
sponge



Reading

Our second reading story is, "Angel Child, Dragon Child. In this story, Ut, a Vietnamese girl, who attends school in the United States, is lonely and missing her mother still living in Vietnam. She makes a new friend with the class bully, who presents her with a wonderful gift.

Our "AC/DC" test will be on September 17th. We will complete this test independently, while remembering to list key events of the story and focusing on "juicy writing." This test will include comprehension, short answer, multiple choice, and vocabulary.

Vocabulary Words:

Jangled
Twittered
Gleamed
Darted

✓ Reading Test on Angel Child, Dragon Child, Sept 17

✓ Spelling Test on Unit 3 Words on Sept. 11th

✓ Be sure to ask your child about our class COMPLIMENTS! We earned our SECOND party!

✓ 2:00 Dismissal on September 17th.

September PIC Events:

Sept 12—Friday School Camp Out at the Elementary Lawn

Sept. 19—Friday Fun Spot Skate Night 5–7 pm

Sept. 19—Friday Grandparents (of Kindergarteners) Lunch

Best wishes, Third Graders!!

Weekly Specials Rotation for September 8—12, 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 dai-

ly, but will NOT start completing tests/classwork in cursive until after winter break.

Social Studies We will switch our focus to Science.

Science:

As an intro to science, we will participate in a short experiment titled, "Walking on Air." By the

lesson's end, students will be able to walk on air—and explain the science behind it. This week, we will begin our first science unit, titled, "Life Science." We will conduct experiments, learn about the scientific method, and focus on the plant/animal world around us. This unit will conclude in December.

We will continue Unit 1: Place

Math

We will conclude Unit 1 (Place Value) this week. Students should have a firm understanding of ordering numbers, comparing numbers, recognizing place value of digits, and rounding to 10s/100s place. We will take our test on Wednesday.

