



# Mrs. LaFrance's Homeroom Newsletter

August 26 – August 30



## Important Date/s to Remember

- August 23– September 11- School Fundraiser
- September 2 – No School- Labor Day
- September 13 – ½ Day- 10:35 Dismissal

## Sent Home This Week:

- Parent Information Sheet – **to be returned**

## A PEEK AT THE WEEK

Welcome back!

**Reading:** We started our very first unit in *My Perspectives* on Thursday entitled *Animal Allies*. The essential question for this unit is: *How do people and animals relate to one another?* After each text that we read, we will answer the essential question using evidence from the text read. This week we will start our first whole-class text about Jane Goodall. We will complete our first read of the text on Wednesday and then start the close read on Thursday. While we close read, the students will be highlighting and annotating the text. It is important that the students are following along in class and participating in classroom discussions in order to connect to the text better.

**Included on the website this week is the Unit 2 Home Connection Letter.** It explains the unit and all of the texts your child will be reading in class.

We will also complete the beginning of the year diagnostic test. This test is **NOT taken for a grade**. It is an assessment tool to help see growth in the students this year.

Lastly, we started reviewing literary genre's in class on Friday. Today we introduced the mini-project we will complete in class as groups.

**Wordly Wise:** We started our very first unit of vocabulary today in class. Each student was given a calendar on Friday which goes over the assignments expected for each unit. We will spend two weeks on each unit and end with an assessment on the second Friday.

## Upcoming Tests

### Monday, August 26

- None

### Tuesday, August 27

- None

### Wednesday, August 28

- None

### Thursday, August 29

- None

### Friday, August 30

- None



## Belated Birthdays

Happy birthday, Kyle! – August 20  
Happy birthday, Frank!- August 20

