



# Mrs. LaFrance's Homeroom Newsletter

October 28 – November 1



## Important Date/s to Remember

October 23-November 1- Red Ribbon Week!

October 31- Halloween (1/2 Day)- 10:35 Dismissal

## Sent Home This Past Week:

- Halloween Bowling Party Permission Slip-

## Upcoming Tests

### Monday, October 28

Pajama Day- "Follow your dreams; be drug free!"

- None

### Tuesday, October 29

Neon Day- "Be Bright! Don't do drugs!"

- None

### Wednesday, October 30

Twin Day- "Double up against drugs!"

- "Black Cowboy, Wild Horses" Selection Test

### Thursday, October 31

Wear Halloween Costume- "Say BOO to drugs!"

- ½ Day of School -10:35 Dismissal

### Friday, November 1

School Spirit Day- "Be respectful, be responsible, be drug free!"

- Wordly Wise Unit 5 Test



## A PEEK AT THE WEEK

**Reading:** This past week we completed the first and close read of our text, "Black Cowboy, Wild Horses". Today the students worked together in their group to complete the plot diagram of the story. This plot diagram will help the students study for their test on Wednesday. On Tuesday, we will take a closer look at the vocabulary words from the story, and then **the students will take the selection test on Wednesday.** The students should study the following: highlighting/annotating, the text questions worksheet, and the plot diagram. I also put a Quizlet up on Google classroom that can be used to help them study.

On Friday, the students will complete the first read of the Independent text. The students will have a choice to read one of four texts. Even though this is supposed to be an independent read of a chosen text, I will put the students into groups so they can check on their comprehension questions and text questions. We will complete the close read of this text the following week.

**Wordly Wise:** I assigned the workbook pages today. They are due tomorrow. **We will then take the test over unit 5 words on Friday.**

**L.Arts:** The students turned in their explanatory papers, and I am working diligently to get those graded.

On Friday, we introduced the grammar simulation, Grammar Zones. The students were put into groups where they will work together as a team to complete competitions throughout this simulation. Today we started notes on common nouns and will continue reviewing nouns the rest of this week. Some grammar homework will be assigned on Friday. Hopefully the competition aspect of the simulation will entice the students and make them a little more excited about grammar.

## Birthdays

Happy birthday, Landyn! -October 29

