JRD JRD	Mrs. Vanderwall's Grade 31, 2017
Reading: This week we read the book <u>A</u> <u>Bad Case of the Stripes</u> and answered so questions about it. Also, we began setting up our reader's workshop. We defined reading and discussed what good readers look like. Next week, reading homework will begin. A note will be coming home on Tuesday.	WPiting: We are busy setting up our writer's workshop. Our first assignment is called the On Demand. The students will write a narrative completely on their own. These will be graded. I will use their scores to guide my teaching. At the end of the unit, they will perform the same task. Today, we brainstormed different writing ideas. The students will be writing their stories on Tuesday.
	HW – decorate your composition book
Science: Science will be taught during the 2nd part of the year.	Social Studies: Mrs VanSlooten will be teaching Geography. I will be teaching Eco- nomics.
Spelling' Next week we will begin our weekly spelling program. On Tuesday (usu- ally Mondays) the students will take a pretest. Words will sent home (your child's group will be circled) and tested on Friday. Please help your child prepare for the test.	Math: We began multiplication!! Today we learned that multiplication is a short cut for adding. We grouped items and counted to find our answers. Next week we will con- tinue learned how to find the answers by counting, using our fingers, and adding. We learned our fives. Please begin practicing these at home.
	Remember to do xtramath!!
Specials Schedule	Other Need to Knows!
Monday – Labor Day	No School Friday and Monday.
Tuesday - Art	School Pictures are Wed. Sept. 13.
Wednesday – Music	Class blog: <u>mvanderw.edublogs.org</u>
Thursday - Gym	