

Dear Students/Parents/Guardians:

Today each student received the "Current Events" graphic organizer in their Wednesday Folder. Throughout the year, students will be finding current event articles and sharing them during our Social Studies class on Monday's. I think it is very important that students know what is going on in the world around them. With that being said, I want the kids to find meaningful, appropriate, and informational articles to share with the class. While I am a big Patriots fan, an article on them winning week 12 isn't exactly newsworthy or educational to the class. Try and find something that can relate to what we are studying, or that is educational or helpful to know.

Overview:

Students will find articles and present them to the class based on current events happening in the world. They will fill out the graphic organizer, attach the article and be prepared to present to the class in a 2-3 minute presentation.

Objectives:

- Use newspapers, magazines, articles, online/television to find current events
- Find the main idea of the article
- Identify the important people/things in the article.
- Identify the location
- Identify the author and the publication
- Use map and globe skills
- Make a text to self, text to world, text to text, or text to history connection

On the back of this page you will see a list of websites that have great resources to find news articles.

Students should practice beforehand and not simply "read" from their paper. We discussed in class good presentation techniques!

- Eye contact
- Speaking loudly/clearly
- Knowing your article
- Practice at home with someone or in front of a mirror!
- Use visuals, props, etc to liven up the presentation

Any questions please don't hesitate to ask. I always attach a reminder sheet to the student's agendas a week before they are due!

- Mr. L

NEWS ARTICLE WEBSITES!

<https://www.dogonews.com/>

<https://www.timeforkids.com/>

<https://www.tweentribune.com/>

<http://teachingkidsnews.com/>

<https://newsela.com/articles/#/rule/latest>

<http://gws.ala.org/category/social-sciences/news-current-events>

***A sample copy of a (2) news articles also went home! Two 5th grade students came and presented to the class the first week of school so they should have a very good idea of what is going on.**

*** We also watch “The Week in Rap Junior” on Flocabulary each week to review Current Events.**

On this page, you will find the dates for each presentation and the student whose day it is to present.

**Current Event Sign -Up Schedule
2017-2018**

ROGERS	Date to Present	LESTAGE
	Monday, September 18th	
	Monday, September 25th	
	Monday, October 2nd	
	Monday, October 16th	
	Monday, October 23rd	
	Monday, October 30th	
	Monday, November 6th	