

Dear Students/Parents/Guardians:

This week, each student received the "Current Events" graphic organizer in their #8 Current Event/Book Talk section of their ELA/SS binder. They will take this home when they are assigned a Current Event. Throughout the year, students will be finding articles and sharing them during our Social Studies class **via presentation or recording to Flipgrid (Flipgrid link will be on Google Classroom)**. 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 (1) news articles/graphic organizer is in their binders. We watched presentations from last year, so they should have a good idea!**

*** 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

2021-2022

***3 Students MAX per sign up.**

MAURICIO	Date to Present	LESTAGE
	Monday, October 4th	
	Tuesday, October 12th	
	Monday, October 18th	
	Monday, October 25th	
	Tuesday, November 2nd	
	Monday, November 8th	
	Monday, November 15th	
	Monday, November 22nd	

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BOOK TALK Sign -Up Schedule

2021-2022

***4 Students MAX per sign up.**

MAURICIO	Date to Present	LESTAGE
	Thursday, October 7th	
	Thursday, October 14th	
	Thursday, October 21st	
	Thursday, October 28th	
	Thursday, November 4th	
	Friday, November 12th	
	Thursday, November 18th	