Mr. L's Friday Recap



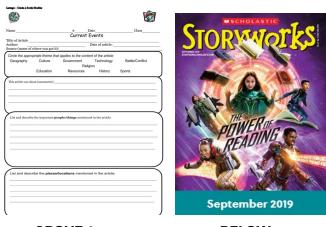
I wanted to try something new this year and send a Friday recap home to parents via Class Dojo and Remind each week. It will be longer so it will come as a PDF. If you can't open it just message me and I'll get it to you some other way! I hope this opens the dialogue between families so the kids can't get away with "I DID NOTHING AT SCHOOL!"

#### This Past Week:

We started the week with Current Events and the Week in Rap on Flocabulary. Students went over the Graphic organizer they will use when it is time to present. A letter will come home in Wednesday folders explaining this as well as the SCHEDULE for round 1. All this will also be posted on my website: <a href="http://mrlestagegrade4.weebly.com/">http://mrlestagegrade4.weebly.com/</a> by Wednesday.

# Link to graphic organizer:

http://mrlestagegrade4.weebly.com/uploads/1/4/2/1/14219068/currenteventsassignmentform-1.pdf



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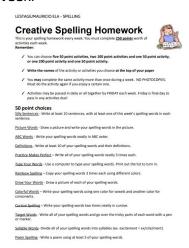
Students got their copies of Storyworks for September which they can either keep in class or their ELA/SS binders. They will get a new one each month. Remember you can also access them from home at <a href="https://storyworks.scholastic.com/">https://storyworks.scholastic.com/</a>. PASSWORD IS: lestage.

5th graders came to model Book Talks for the classes and they created their Book Talk folders. They will begin signing up for Book Talk Fridays as the month progresses. When it is their week to present, they will bring the Book Talk folder home. I will send home student examples in Wednesday folders as well.

#### **Book Talk Links:**

http://mrlestagegrade4.weebly.com/book-talks.html

We also went over spelling activities and the MUST DO vs. EXCUSED from spelling activities. Keep that sheet somewhere safe as it is their "menu" to choose from. 250 points are due by FRIDAY'S, only if they get a MUST DO written on top. I sent a letter home explaining that this week.



http://mrlestagegrade4.weebly.com/spelling.html

We discussed the importance of 9/11 and how to talk about it with people that don't know about it or weren't around/old enough when it happened. We used BrainPop to discuss and then watched an incredible documentary from HBO which was created to help talk about it in school. If you haven't had a chance to check it out, it is available On Demand. I've included the trailer link here:

http://www.hbo.com/video/documentaries/what-happened-on-911/videos/promo



We also took our first trip to the library where students will be allowed to check out 2 books every 2 weeks. Our classes go every other Wednesday.

Students began Writer's Workshop and started to brainstorm different ways to come up with topics. Ask them all about it so far!

Social Studies we began reviewing map skills, continents, oceans and moving into latitude/longitude. Flocabulary <a href="https://flocabulary.com">https://flocabulary.com</a> has awesome videos on all these topics we used in class and are great review for at home. Login is: <a href="telstage@freelake.org">tlestage@freelake.org</a>, password is: 7587123t.

## Map Skills Link:

http://mrlestagegrade4.weebly.com/map-skills.html

### Next Week at a Glance:

- Monday spelling activities begin
- A 5th grader will model Current Events and we will create our schedule for the 1st round of presentations.
- Wednesday folder will come home with Book Talk examples as well as Current Event example and schedule.
- Students will be taking the beginning of the year iReady screeners in Math and Reading

I will have the website updated tonight and look for many new links, documents, etc. to be updated and posted by Wednesday next week.

I hope your kids are well adjusted and enjoying their first few weeks of school. I certainly have enjoyed them! Let me know if you need anything and please ask questions! Resources are EVERYWHERE!

Have a great weekend and GO PATS!

