

February 4, 2015

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As part of our celebration of Black History Month and Presidents' Day, we will be conducting research on **Famous Americans & Historical Figures**. This can include living/nonliving people, inventors, presidents, history makers, etc.

Your child will be responsible for creating a poster at home, which identifies the important achievements and attributes of their chosen person. Please help your child create the poster. *The students must do the artwork and writing.* The children may require your assistance with spelling and choosing what to actually include on the poster.

All posters will be due in the classroom *on or before Wednesday, February 25th*. Early projects are welcome. Each child will give an oral presentation on the day they bring in their project. They will need to describe the items on the poster. Please help your child practice the oral presentation at home.

Please visit the local library to read more about your person. Books, encyclopedias, magazines, the Internet, etc... may be used to gather information. **The LOE library resource – Pebble Go - now has a wonderful biography section. Just go to the LOE library web page, and login under the user name (live) and password (oak).** If necessary, your child's teacher will be able to provide some information about each famous person.

The Poster must include the following information:

- **Who the person was/is**
- **What were/are his or her notable accomplishment(s)**
- **A timeline of his/her life**
- **Why you chose this person to research**
- **Student's name**

All items on the poster must be written in complete sentences. Any additional information the student would like to add is welcomed, however the aforementioned points must be addressed.

See Mrs. Martin's 2011 - 2012 student samples at:

<http://mrs-martin.weebly.com/historical-figure-posters.html>

We look forward to learning more about the contributions of these history making figures. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's teacher.

Thank you,
First Grade Teachers

Complete this slip and return **tomorrow**:

Famous American or Historical Figure: _____

Child's Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Parent Name: _____

Signature: _____

Some suggestions:

Sandra Day
O'Conner
Harriet Tubman
Benjamin Franklin
Ann Richards
Thurgood Marshall
Clara Barton
Jane Addams
Sally Ride
Helen Keller
Madam C. J. Walker

Booker T.
Washington
Abraham Lincoln
Babe Ruth
Wilma Rudolf
Cesar Chavez
Ellen Ochoa
Hector P. Garcia
Benjamin Banneker
George Washington
Carver

Walt Disney
Francis Scott King
Duke Ellington
Jackie Robinson
Marian Anderson
Mae Jemison
Bessie Coleman
Amelia Earhart
Thomas Alva Edison
Rosa Parks
Raven Wilkinson

Sample Projects:

