

February 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As part of our celebration of Black History Month (Feb), Women's History Month (Mar) 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 famous American. 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 Monday, February 29th. 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 famous American. Books, encyclopedias, magazines, the Internet, etc. may be used to gather information. **The LOE library resource – Pebble Go - 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 and return slip below on or before Friday, February 12th:**



Famous American or Historical Figure: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Some suggestions:

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| Sandra Day<br>O'Conner<br>Harriet Tubman<br>Benjamin Franklin<br>Ann Richards<br>Thurgood Marshall<br>Clara Barton<br>Jane Addams<br>Sally Ride<br>Helen Keller<br>Madam C. J. Walker | Booker T.<br>Washington<br>Abraham Lincoln<br>Babe Ruth<br>Wilma Rudolf<br>Cesar Chavez<br>Ellen Ochoa<br>Hector P. Garcia<br>Benjamin Banneker<br>George Washington<br>Carver | Maria Mitchell<br>Francis Scott Key<br>Duke Ellington<br>Jackie Robinson<br>Marian Anderson<br>Mae Jemison<br>Bessie Coleman<br>Amelia Earhart<br>Thomas Alva Edison<br>Rosa Parks<br>Raven Wilkinson |
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Sample Projects:

