## Mr. Magbanua - Grade 1

Mr. Magbanua's class hero is **President Barack Obama**. He was chosen in alignment with the American Hero and Presidential theme of the First Grade. The students learned about his qualities as a person and his character. To understand President Obama from the mindset of a child of the United States, the students watched a video of Kid President interviewing President Obama. In the interview, President Obama emphasized the point of treating others with respect and treating them fairly no matter who they are. To understand President Obama as a parent, the class read a book that he wrote for his daughters, *Of Thee I Sing*. In this book, President Obama lists different heroes throughout American History and what they did to overcome their struggles and problems. Finally to learn facts about President Obama, the students had a group reading of a grade appropriate biography from raz-kids.com.

Throughout this learning unit the students learned about his role as the President and also his personality as a private citizen. The students then compiled the facts the learned about President Obama onto a chart paper, e.g. he is caring, he was a parent, he was born in Hawaii. Upon completion of learning about President Obama, the students completed the Hero Unit by coloring in an American Flag and writing one of the facts they have learned about President Obama onto a paper that are displayed on the bulletin board.



