

Best Bet for S.A.R.

The PMS Library website is a great place to find your science current event for the S.A.R. Just go to www.piedmont.k12.ca.us/pms and click on the **Library** tab. You have two terrific options:

RSS Feeds- For current science and health related articles

If you don't have a particular topic in mind and just want something current and interesting, click on **RSS Feeds** from the drop-down menu and then select **Science News**.

- Each box presents a different news source for the most current science events.
- Scroll down and browse your options.
- Select a headline that interests you, and read the abstract to get a sense of what the article is about. Podcasts may **not** be used for this assignment.
- Try several until you find one you like, and then click on the title or **link** to get the **FULL TEXT**.
- After you read the entire article, print it out and complete the assignment.

EBSCOHost – to search a topic that interests you!

If you do have a specific science topic in mind, select **Subscription Databases** from the **Library** drop down menu, and open **EBSCOHost**. Student handbook has user ID and password.

- This database contains full-text articles for over 500 magazines and newspapers, including science publications, of interest to students and the general public.
- In the search box, type the science topic that interests you and click **search**.
- Make sure the articles are sorted: “date descending;” the most current appearing first.
- Scroll down and browse your options.
- Select a headline that interests you, and read the abstract to get a sense of what article is about; hover over the magnifying glass to view the abstract.
- If too many articles appear, you can narrow the search by clicking on a specific subject heading on the left.
- You can also search by publication. In the publication box just type one of the following magazine titles:
 - **Science World*
 - **Current Science*
 - **Current Health*
 - *Science News*
 - *Discover*
 - *Economist* (Science and Technology section)
 - *Astronomy*
 - *Scientific American*
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- Try several until you find one you like, and click on the title, or “**PDF Full Text**” to get the **entire article**.
- After you read the entire article, print it out and complete the assignment.

Enjoy exploring science and be sure to include a proper citation (bibliography) as part of your report. See “Works Cited” in Cool School Tools in the library dropdown menu for help.