

# Congo Weekly Newsletter

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## This Week

What a wonderful start to the New Year!

Our topic this term will be about explorers. We will delve into the world of explorers past and present!

In English we have started our new book called 'How to Catch a Star' by Oliver Jeffers. This week we have learnt the story by mapping and acting. From these exercises we retold the story ourselves.

In Maths we have revisited addition and subtraction and used a range of strategies to explore different methods. These methods include, the bar model, numicon, number lines and formal written methods.

In History we have learnt about Christopher Columbus and begun creating our own fact files.

## Library

The children are now allowed to take library books home! Please can they be brought back to school on Thursday morning to allow the children to change their book.

New books will not be given unless the old ones are returned. We encourage children to look after these books themselves. Some children, in the past, who know they are prone to losing a book have chosen to keep their book in their drawer at school.

Any books that have been lost will result in a fine of £5.

## Homework

This week's spellings are;

Amaze	Bone
Snake	Scene
Escape	Phone
Time	Same
Fire	Theme

## General Reminders...

- Please can we ask all parents to promptly leave the classroom at 8:55 when the school day starts. This is to ensure that all children are calm and ready to start learning.
- If you would like to raise any concerns please do not hesitate to *book an appointment* with me.
- Please can your child take responsibility for their possessions in school. Our approach is to encourage respect and ownership over their belongings, as well as other children's possessions.