**Topic Overview for week commencing 8th February 2021**

This week I would like you to have the opportunity to bring together some of the learning you’ve done so far. I have suggested a few areas for you to work on – pick and choose what appeals to you and go for it! Be as flexible and creative as you would like.

With a focus on travel and exploration have a go at:

**Create a world map** or a map of the Oceans that Christopher Columbus would have travelled. Include: his routes, the direction of travel, a compass. Use different mediums and materials. Could you make it interactive with a slit for his sailing boat (attached to a lolly stick) to actually travel through the Ocean?

All travellers will need a **passport**: Can you accurately describe yourself; including height in cms, eye and hair colour, attach a photo or sketch of yourself.

**Luggage**: Draw a template or write a list and draw what items you would take if you were about to set off on a voyage. You will need a **day bag** and a **suit case** for clothing and items for when you reach land. What are your must have possessions? What could you leave behind?

After setting up a ‘ship’ take part in some **role play** to re-enact setting sail and beginning the epic voyage.

**Write a diary entry** for a few days of the voyage: The first being about your first moments as you wave good bye to the people standing on the harbour – how do you feel? What are you thinking? Are you nervous and worried about the voyage? What are you looking forward to? How do you think it will all go? Bring in all of your emotions to your diary – remember it is you in the role of Christopher Columbus. The other days of your diary could be one at sea – what can you see? How is the journey going? Do you know where you are? Then finally as you see land and discover where you are. What is the welcome like as you go ashore?

Create some **artwork**, using the styles seen so far in art lessons, to recreate ‘photos’ of what you see on your voyage of discovery.

**Create and write Post Cards** home to your loved ones and tell them all of your news.

**Build a sailing ship** – will it float?

Can you learn a **Sea Shanti?**’

What will you bring back from the Americas? What were you pleased you had done and what did you wish you hadn’t done?

Add anything else to this list that you would like to do towards this topic area.