

THE LIBRARY LOO NEWS

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IN HISTORY

On **January 21st, 1976**, the Concorde, a supersonic passenger airliner, takes off from both London and Paris, simultaneously. These innovative planes flew well over the sound barrier at 1,350 miles an hour, cutting air travel time by more than half. The flights were a culmination of a 12-year effort that pitted English and French engineers against the Soviets. The effort was not without a dramatic history: Soviet spies were arrested during the testing phases; the Soviet prototype failed; the U.S. abandoned efforts in 1969 citing costs and environmental concerns; and finally, in 2000, an Air France Concorde crashed 60 seconds after taking off from Paris to New York. The deadly crash signaled the decline of the aircraft and in 2003, the Concorde took its last regular commercial flight.

IN THE LIBRARY

Winter recess and holiday hours: The library will have the following modified hours this month:

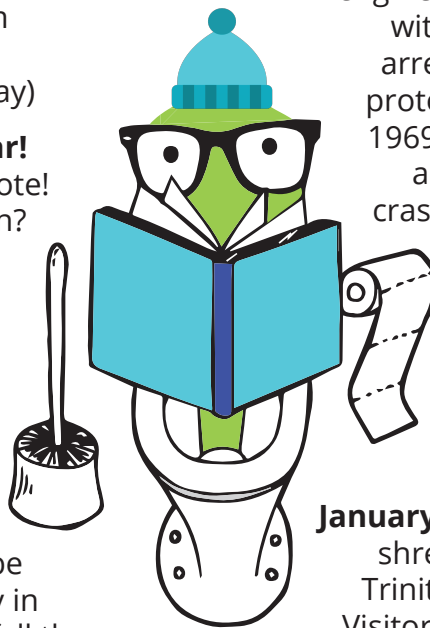
Jan. 1:	CLOSED
Jan. 2-5:	8:30am - 6:00pm
Jan. 6:	CLOSED
Jan. 7:	1:00pm - 8:00pm
Jan. 8-9:	8:30am - 8:00pm
Jan. 10:	Regular Hour
Jan. 15:	CLOSED (MLK Day)

Welcome back and happy new year!

Let's kick off the year on a positive note! Did you make a new year's resolution? Post your personal pact at the library's entrance and inspire your fellow classmates to consider new year's resolutions, too. Come on, gang, share some good ones!

DID YOU KNOW...

The snowiest city on earth may not be where you'd first expect. Aomori City in northern Japan receives more snowfall than any major city on the planet. Each year citizens are pummeled with 312 inches (about 26 feet) of snow, on average. Another snowy fun fact: Rapid City, South Dakota claims the record for quickest temperature drop. On January 10, 1911 the temperature started out at 55°F but then just 15 minutes later, a cold front blew through and brought the temperature down to just 8 degrees! That kind of drop puts the fickle weather of Texas to shame.



AROUND TOWN

January 19th @ 8:00pm: Looking for a fun way to shred the holiday calories and stress? Join the Trinity River Audubon Center for an Owl Prowl! Visitors will take a guided night hike through the Great Trinity Forest and learn about the nocturnal animals that call Dallas home. Learn owl calls, too, and cap the night with a s'more roast. Visit www.trinityriverauduboncenter.com for more information.

January 12th - February 3rd: Prepare to feel your best Texas self and attend the 122nd Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo! Look for daily rodeo action, carnival and midway fun, acres of shopping, kid-friendly attractions, live music and so much more! For general admission ticket and rodeo ticket information, visit www.fwssr.com.

Quote of the Month...

"Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year." - Ralph Waldo Emerson