

Meadows First School Knowledge Organiser

History

Year 1 Summer 2

Theme: Intrepid Explorers



Key skills:

- •To develop an awareness of the lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national & international achievements.
- •Talk about simple similarities and differences between life at different times.
- •Understand the difference between things that happened in the past and the present (chronology).
- Use stories to distinguish between fact and fiction and to remember key historical facts.
- •To understand some ways in which we find out about the past.



Key Vocabulary:

Word/ term	definition		
Significant	Someone who we remember for their impact on the lives of many people.		
Famous	Someone who is known by any people.		
Explorer	A person who sets out to discover a new or unfamiliar area.		
Voyage	A long journey travelling by sea or in space.		
Discovery	To be the first to find something.		
Astronaut	A person who goes into space.		
Expedition	A journey taken with a purpose to explore.		

Key knowledge & Key questions



Christopher Columbus was born in 1451. He was a sailor and he became famous as the explorer who found new lands called 'The Americas' in 1492. But actually, many people already lived there. He died in 1506.



Neil Armstrong was born in 1930. He was an astronaut and he became famous for being the first person to walk on the moon, on the 21st July 1969. He died in 2012.

Prior knowledge

Connected learning:

In Reception:

Children will have talked about Neil Armstrong during their space topic.

In the Year 1 toys of the past topic the children will have looked at toys from the 1960s.

Key questions: 1. What did Christopher Columbus discover and bring to S?

- 2. Can you tell me what was the same about Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong?
- 3. What makes a person significant?
- 4. Why was Neil Armstrong a significant person?