



St Leo's and Southmead  
Catholic Nursery and Primary  
School

Year  
Two

# History Knowledge Organiser

Spring  
Term

## Amazing Activities

To visit the Planetarium in  
Liverpool World Museum.

To watch recorded footage of  
the first lunar landing.

## Key Concepts

- Neil Armstrong (1930-2012) was an American astronaut who is famous for being the first person to walk on The Moon.
- He went to the moon as the Commander of a NASA (the American Space Agency) mission called 'Apollo 11.'
- Joining him on the mission were two other astronauts - Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins. Buzz Aldrin was the second man on The Moon.
- The crew were launched into space from the Kennedy Space Centre in America on the 16<sup>th</sup> July 1969.
- As Neil Armstrong set foot on the moon, he is famous for saying the words "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."
- After just over 21 hours on the moon (2 ½ hours of which were spent walking out of the lunar module) Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin lifted off from The Moon.
- Their lunar module then joined back together with the command module (which Michael Collins was still in) before firing back to Earth.
- The spacecraft reentered back into the Earth's atmosphere and into the Pacific Ocean on 24<sup>th</sup> July 1969.

## Who Was Neil Armstrong?

### Skills

- Show awareness of past, using common words and phrases relating to the passing of time.
- Describe where people and events studied fit within a chronological framework and identify similarities and differences between ways of life in different periods.
- Ask and answer questions, choosing and using parts of the stories and other sources to show that they know and understand key features of events.
- Show understanding of some ways in which we find out about the past and identify different ways in which it is represented.
- Describe events beyond living memory that are significant.
- Use historical vocabulary and historical terms.
- Speak about how they found out about the past.
- Record what they have learnt by drawing and writing.
- Discuss lives of significant famous people and changes and compare to lives of others in different periods.



## Key Vocabulary

Key Vocabulary	Definition
<b>Atmosphere</b>	The layer of gas that surrounds Earth.
<b>Astronaut</b>	A person who is trained to travel in space.
<b>Axis</b>	An imaginary line which the Earth rotates.
<b>Commander</b>	The name given to the person in charge.
<b>Earth</b>	Earth is the third planet of the solar system orbiting the sun.
<b>Lunar Module</b>	a space vehicle <b>module</b> designed to carry astronauts from the command module to the surface of the moon and back.
<b>Launch</b>	to send into outer space.
<b>Moon</b>	A natural satellite which orbits Earth or other planets.
<b>NASA</b>	<b>NASA</b> stands for National Aeronautics and Space Administration. <b>NASA</b> was started on October 1, 1958, as a part of the United States government.
<b>Orbit</b>	An <b>orbit</b> is the path that an object takes in space when it goes around a star, a planet, or a moon.
<b>Planet</b>	A large object, round or nearly round that orbits a star.
<b>Solar System</b>	The solar system consists of the sun and everything that orbits, or travels around, the sun.

### Curriculum Links

**Literacy Link:** Opportunities for the children to use books and websites to research.

**Computing Link:** Opportunities for the children to use the internet to research information on the first lunar landing.

**Design Technology Link:** The children will use materials to construct a moon buggy.

