



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 knowledge

- 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 16th 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 24th 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

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

