

Links to prior learning –
Intrepid Explorers on
land

Year 2 – Explorers

Key concepts in history which run through all topics: parliament, civilisation, empire, peasantry

Links to other subjects –
English Biographies
Letter Writing.
Art/Science - The Solar
System

Subject Specific Vocabulary

Space race	The race to reach the moon between Russia and USA
expedition	a journey undertaken by a group of people with a particular purpose, especially that of exploration.
explorer	A person who is the first to reach/discover a place
Solar System	The order of the planets that Earth belongs to.
obstacle	a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress.
Astronaut	English for a person who travels out of earth's atmosphere
Cosmonaut	Russian for a person who travels out of earth's atmosphere
chronology	Timeline to explain the sequence of events
discovery	The action or process of discovering or being discovered.
research	Studying objects/environment to help us understand

Key people, facts and sticky knowledge

Neil Armstrong was first man/American astronaut to set foot on the Moon 20th July 1969.

Yuri Gagarin was the first man/Russian Cosmonaut in space (not the moon).

Valentina Tershkova is the first woman cosmonaut in space and a crater on the far side of the moon is named after her!

Pluto declassified as a planet in 2006. It is known as a 'Dwarf Planet'.

Tim Peake went into space but did NOT get to the moon. He was part of an International team to carry out research and took part in over 250 experiments. He spent 186 days in space and some of his time was televised live including his space walk. His main mission focused on educational outreach, engaging more than 1.6 million schoolchildren across Europe in over 30 projects during his time in space. Tim also ran the London marathon using the space station's treadmill.

By the end of this period of learning, pupils should explain the lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements. Know where the events and people fit within a chronological timeline. Describe and compare how their efforts have helped the lives of others.



Explorer artefacts:



Historical Timeline

Bronze Age (2500BC – 800BC) Ancient Egypt (3100BC – 332BC) Stone Age (8700BC – 2000BC)	Bronze Age (2500BC – 800BC) Mayans (800BC) Ancient Greece (2900BC – 336BC) Ancient Egypt (3100BC – 332BC)	Roman Britain (27BC – 476AD) Celts (275BC – 43AD) Iron Age (800BC – 332BC) Mayans (800BC – 250AD) Ancient Egypt (3100BC – 332BC)	0AD	Vikings (700 -1100AD) Anglo Saxons (410 – 793AD) Roman Britain (27BC – 476AD)	Great Fire of London 1666 WW2 (1939 – 1945) Moon landing 1969 Neil Armstrong 1969 Yuri Gagarin 1961 Valentina Tershkova 1963 Tim Peake 2015
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