

Knowledge Organiser: Year 1 and 2 Focus: History - What makes someone great?

This term, Year 1 and 2 will be learning about important people from the past. We will be learning about their stories and thinking about why we remember people who lived long ago.



Important People



Christopher Columbus was an explorer who sailed across the Atlantic Ocean. He was the first European to go to the Americas.



Neil Armstrong was an American astronaut. He was the first person to walk on the moon.



Queen Elizabeth the First was Queen of England for 45 years. She won lots of battles and made England powerful.



Queen Elizabeth the Second was queen of the United Kingdom for 70 years. She died on September 8th 2022.



Mary Seacole cared for injured soldiers. She set up a hospital and helped many people.



Mother Teresa spent her life helping poorer people and setting up schools and hospitals.

Important Dates

1492

Christopher Columbus sailed across the Atlantic Ocean.

This was 530 years ago.



1805

Mary Seacole was born. This was 217 years ago.



1910

Mother Teresa was born. This was 112 years ago.



1969

Neil Armstrong walked on the moon. This was 53 years ago.



QUEEN ELIZABETH I



1559

Queen Elizabeth the First became queen. This was 463 years ago.



1952

Queen Elizabeth the Second became queen. This was 70 years ago.

The present (today)

We live in 2022. We live in the 21st Century.

Before Living Memory

Living Memory

Our Vocabulary

Definition

monarch	A King or Queen who rules a country.
astronaut	A person who travels into space.
explorer	A person who travels around the world, finding new places.
soldier	A person who fights for their country in the army.
carers	People who look after us are called carers. They can be nurses, doctors or people who look after children or older people.
battle	A fight between two armies.
medicine	Medicines are things that make people feel better when they are poorly.
achievement	Something that a person does that they feel proud of.
source	A source is something that tells us about the past like a book, photo or newspaper.
history	Learning about things and people from the past.
past	The past is events that happened before today. We can remember some past events but some happened before we were born.
present	The present is what is happening now. Today is the present.