Links to prior learning – Healthy Bodies where our food comes from. Explorers – Neil Armstrong Kings and Queens – Y1

Year 2 – Explorers

Links to other subjects — English newspaper writing Geography mapping skills Science — Healthy Bodies

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

Subject Specific Vocabulary					
civilisation	Societies achieve an advanced stage of				
	development and organisation				
expedition	a journey undertaken by a group of people with a				
	particular purpose, especially that of exploration.				
native	a person born in a specified place				
obstacle	a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders				
	progress.				
navigation	To know how to find your way around by plotting a				
	course				
compass	Instrument used help navigate using compass				
	points North, South East and West				
discovery	The action or process of discovering or being				
	discovered.				
survive	To stay alive with the minimum of nutrition and				
	water				
scurvy	Scurvy occurs when there is a severe lack of				
	Vitamin C in someone's diet. Sailors often suffered				
	because they did not eat fresh fruit and vegetables.				







Key people, facts and sticky knowledge

Sailing to Asia Columbus had made a mistake in navigation and instead of finding Asia had actually found the Caribbean Islands which he named San Salvador.

King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella were the rulers of Spain and gave Columbus money to buy the three ships for his famous voyage to find new lands. The Ships were the Nina, Pinta and Santa Maria

Christopher Columbus, born in 1451, was an Italian explorer and navigator who completed four voyages across the Atlantic Ocean, opening the way for the discovery of America. He brought back pineapples and turkeys from America!

The Americas It is important to note that Christopher Columbus did **not** discover the Americas, but he started regular contact and travel between Europe and the Americas. Vikings had landed in the Americas 500 years prior but Columbus did not know this.

Flag ship is the ship in the front of a voyage. The Santa Maria was the flag ship and was bigger than the other two ships.

By the end of this period of learning, pupils should be able to name famous explorers and describe their achievements. Compare aspects of life in different periods - Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong. Know where these people and events fit within a chronological framework.

Explorer artefacts:







Historical Timeline



3000BC	2000BC	1000BC	0AD	1000 AD	2000 AD
		Ancient Egypt (3100BC – 332BC)		476AD)	The Victorians (1837 – 1903)
	Ancient Egypt (3100BC – 332BC)	Mayans (800BC – 250AD)		Roman Britain (27BC –	Moon landing 1969
Stone Age (8700BC – 2000BC)	Ancient Greece (2900BC – 336BC)	Iron Age (800BC – 332BC)		793AD)	Great Fire of London 1666
Ancient Egypt (3100BC – 332BC)	Mayans (800BC	Celts (275BC – 43AD)		Anglo Saxons (410 –	Tudors (1485 – 1603)
Bronze Age (2500BC – 800BC)	Bronze Age (2500BC – 800BC)	Roman Britain (27BC – 476AD)		Vikings (700 -1100AD)	Christopher Columbus 1492