History Year 6 Knowledge Organiser

Main Learning: Significance – Creation of the British Empire

Key knowledge	Vocabulary	
Know about the creation of	empire	An extensive group of states or countries ruled over by a single monarch
the British EmpireKnow what is meant by the British	mother country	The UK was often referred to as 'the mother country' by members of the British Empire
Empire Know how important the voyages of discovery were in making Britain great	Commonwealth	An international association consisting of the UK together with states that were previously part of the British Empire, and dependencies
Know how far the British Empire extended	colony	A country or area under the full or partial political control of another country and occupied by settlers from that country
Know how Britain made an impact on	slavery	Often associated with the early formation of the British Empire
the world Know why we no longer have a British Empire	empire on which the sun never sets	At one time the British empire expanded across the world so that there was always somewhere where the sun shone (in other words was not night-time)

	Prior Knowledge-
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