

YEAR 7

Independent learning to be completed during school closure

History – What major Historical events do we celebrate in July?

During a two week period you would ordinarily have:

3 History lessons. **This is for the fortnight 06/07/20 – 16/07/20.**

For the last few weeks of the academic year we are going to use our History lessons to focus on some of the events which changed the world, all of which happened in the month of July. The next 3 lessons will follow a slightly different format – each lesson or task is going to focus on a historical event rather than a topic. For each event you are going to research and produce a piece showcasing how important it was. Treat these lessons as 3 mini-projects.

Event 1

The Declaration of Independence.

On 4th July 1776 the War of Independence came to an end and the British lost control of their largest North American colony.

Your task is to produce a poster showing why this date is so important in American History. On this poster you should include the following.

- What happened to start the War of Independence?
- What is the Declaration of Independence?
- Where was this document signed and can you still see it today?
- **Why is this date still so important in our world History?**
- How do Americans celebrate the 4th of July?

Here are some sites to help you – Remember this is a celebration so be creative!

<https://kids.britannica.com/kids/article/Declaration-of-Independence/353042>

https://www.ducksters.com/history/declaration_of_independence.php

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TiduzZTWFOU>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eIO-7dFz2JU>

<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/world/american-independence-day-2019-4-july-usa-trump-a4181161.html>

Event 2 – The Eagle has landed!

On 21st July 1969, Neil Armstrong became the most man to walk on the moon. Last year we celebrated 50 years since this iconic moment in our History. Your next task is to create either a comic strip or leaflet to show how man landed on the moon.

You should include

- A definition of the space race and the USA's relationship with the Soviet Union
- Information about NASA and the Apollo 11 mission
- You might want to research the Astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins.
- The different stages of the mission
- **Why is this such an important event?**

Here are some useful links

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/explore/history/moon-landing/>

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/space/moon-landings/> - This is a brilliant website!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nOcDftgR5UQ>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cwZb2mqld0A> – The footage from the landing!

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m0006w7j/ad/horrible-histories-series-8-7-moon-mayhem>

Event 3 – 1966's World Cup

On 30th July 1966 England won the World Cup in London after beating Germany 4-2. For this event I do not mind how you present this information; it is up to you. You could write a diary entry, make a play or a video telling me about the event etc. be as creative as you can.

In this mini-project you should include information about

- The team/German team
- A history of sport/football in England
- The fans and their reaction
- What was Britain like in the 1960's
- What is the legacy of this victory for England? Why is it so important?

Here are some useful links

http://news.bbc.co.uk/onthisday/hi/witness/july/30/newsid_3092000/3092429.stm

<https://www.fifa.com/worldcup/archive/england1966/> - This is a fantastic source of information

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FBIwiK7U9l0>

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