

## St. Anne's Catholic Primary School

### Year 2 Knowledge Organiser

#### 'We are Explorers'

*"Loving God In All We Do."*



#### The 'We are Explorers' topic is about ...

The children will explore Australia when we learn about the pilot Amy Johnson. They will explore the climate and how the living things survive in these conditions. They will investigate the physical features of the landscape. The children will also learn about the Australian animals and how they too survive in this severe climate. Using their knowledge of Ormskirk, they will then compare the two contrasting areas.

The children will be learning about the life of significant explorer from the past, Amy Johnson who has contributed to national and international achievements.

#### What we already know...

(Prior Knowledge)

- We can locate the United Kingdom and recognise each country within it.
- We can locate Ormskirk on a simple map.
- We know where Australia is
- We can name some animals native to Australia.

#### By the end of the topic we will know (NC)

- How to write stories in the style of Simon Bartram.
- About the lives and contributions of Amy Johnson.
- Describe Australia using simple geographic vocabulary.
- How to investigate how things fly, float and sink.
- Create a piece of aboriginal art work.

#### Vocabulary

##### Geography:

Continents  
Oceans  
Equator  
Physical features  
Outback

##### History:

Explorer  
Equipment  
Voyage  
Pilot  
Aeroplane  
Australia

##### Music:

Rhythm  
Pitch  
Tempo  
Duration  
Percussion  
Compose  
Composition

##### Design and Technology:

Mechanisms  
Components



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### **Wider curriculum learning**

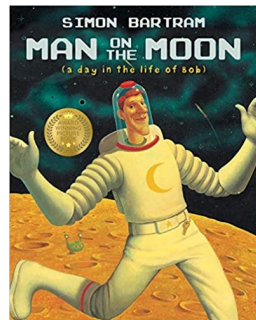
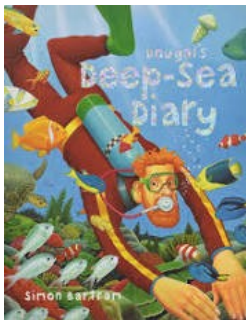
#### **STEM**

The children will complete a set of STEM activities linked to:

- 'Can it fly?' investigation
- Kite investigation
- Floating and sinking investigation.
- Under the sea

They will also look at and replicate Aboriginal Art using a range of media.

### **We are going to read a range of texts from Simon Bartram:**



### **Let's try this at home**

Discover which objects sink or float  
Make different styles of paper aeroplanes.  
Find oceans and continents on a globe

### **Key dates for this half-term**

Australia Day– Wednesday 27th January