



The Swinging Sixties- Knowledge Organiser

St Gregory's Catholic Primary School – Year 5



Dates to Remember							
1960	1961	1963	1963	1964	1964	1966	1969
Lego comes to Britain	Russia sends the first man into space	President JFK assassinated	Martin Luther King give "I have a dream" speech	Beatle mania takes over America	Radio Caroline becomes Britain's first pirate radio station	England wins the world cup	Neil Armstrong becomes the first man to walk on the moon

Key Vocabulary	Historical Facts	Key Figures	
Hippies	<p>Culture The 960s decade refers to the years from 1960 to the end of 1969. It is known as the swinging sixties and is associated with the birth of British pop music and fashion.</p> <p>The Space Race The Space Race was a competition of space exploration between the Soviet Union and the United States, which lasted from 1957 to 1969. It had to do with the efforts to explore outer space with artificial satellites, to send humans into space, and to land them on the Moon.</p> <p>Homes Most people in Britain now had a refrigerator and cooker and could buy sliced bread. The average house cost £2000 and a season ticket to Manchester United would set you back £8.50!</p>	<p>The Beatles British Rock/Pop band from Liverpool began their careers in the sixties with huge success. The Beatles were responsible for classics such as; Hey Jude, Yellow Submarine and Here Comes the Sun.</p> <p>Martin Luther King Jr Martin Luther King Jr. was an American Christian minister and activist who became the most visible spokesperson and leader in the Civil Rights Movement from 1955 until his assassination in 1968.</p> <p>President J.F. Kennedy An American politician who served as the 35th President of the United States from January 1961 until his assassination in November 1963.</p> <p>Neil Armstrong Neil Armstrong was an American Astronaut and engineer he became the first man to walk on the Moon.</p>	
Fashion			Youth movement that began in America during 1960's.
Pop art			fashion trends like bell-bottom jeans and tie-dyed shirts began during this period.
Cold war			Heavily influenced by advertising, comic books and mundane mass-produced cultural objects
Space race			A period of tension between the Soviet Union and the USA
decade			Race between the Soviets and the US in the advance of science and space exploration
revolution			A period of 10 years in this case 1960-1969
peace			A process undertaken to ensure change happens.
Communism			Commonly used to mean a lack of conflict and freedom from fear of violence between individuals or groups
racism			The idea to create a stateless, classless society.
	The belief that groups of humans possess different behavioural traits corresponding to physical appearance		

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

