

Uplands Junior School Knowledge Organiser

Subject: History

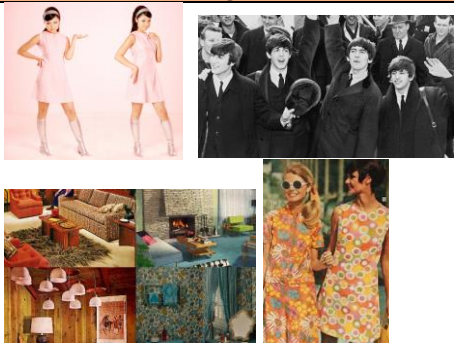
Topic: 1960's

Year: 6

Historical knowledge

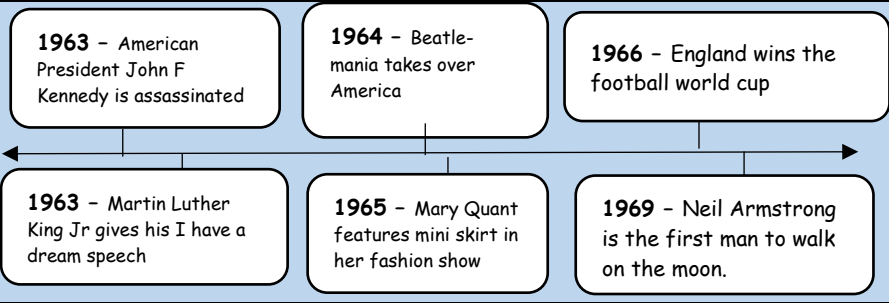
- *The 1960s is often known as the 'Swinging Sixties' because of the fun many young people had during this decade.
- *The 1960s was an important decade in the 20th century. This is because it was a time when lots of changes took place. There were many young people who wanted more freedom and had more money. Many young people wanted a revolution (big change) in behaviour, clothes and music.
- * The Beatles were one of the most famous artists and Beatle-Mania took over the UK and America with their records such as 'Please, Please Me'.
- *Fashions became bolder and more colourful in the 60s. Bright paisley patterns were in fashion. Young women started wearing mini-skirts or simple short dresses. Body art and love beads were also popular.
- *Besides fashion and music many other interesting events happened. England won the football World Cup, man walked on the moon and the French airliner Concorde made its first supersonic test flight.
- *Most families by the 1960s owned a refrigerator. You could now buy sliced bread and supermarkets opened in towns and cities. Most families also had a television by the end of the 60s. The most popular television programmes for children were 'Thunderbirds' and 'Dr. Who'. In 1964 BBC 2 went on air and in 1967 it became the first channel to have colour.
- *The average wage for people working in the 60s was between £14 and £15 a week. Things were also a lot cheaper. Mars bars in the 1960s cost 2½p and a loaf of bread cost 5p. The average price for a house was just over £2500.

Diagrams



- *Fashion changed and modernised drastically in the 1960's with the mini skirt being introduced in women's fashion.
- *Bold and bright colours/patterns were used in fashion and key fashion icons such as Mary Quant and Twiggy were influential.
- * The home decor of homes around England changed drastically with bright colours and bold patterns being used.
- * The Beatles were one of the most famous music artists in the UK and America, known as Beatle-Mania.

Timeline



Historical skills

- *To identify some of the main changes in Britain since the end of WW2 and identify different characteristics of different decades.
- *Describe what life was like in the 1960s, including music, food, fashion, dance etc.
- *To investigate what was considered as popular culture in the 1960s.
- *To research and present information on Jon Lennon's life and death.
- *Place the chronology of key events of the 1960s on a timeline
- *To explore fashion and significant trends in the 1960s.
- *To explore and show an understanding of youth culture in the 1960s.
- *To research and present information on the British artist LS Lowery.

Key vocabulary

Youth culture	The way children, adolescents and young adults live, and the norms, values, and practices they share.
Popular Culture	Culture based on the tastes of ordinary people rather than an educated elite. For example, current fashion, music, dance trends.
population structure	The 'make up' or composition of a population. Looking at the population structure of a place shows how the population is divided up between males and females of different age groups.
increased consumerism	Consumerism is the idea that increasing consumption of goods and services purchased in the market is always a desirable goal and that a person's wellbeing and happiness depends fundamentally on obtaining consumer goods and material possessions.
technological advancements	The generation of information or the discovery of knowledge that advances the understanding of technology. Or even more simply, a technological advancement advances the understanding of technology.
Swinging Sixties	This was a youth movement emphasising the new and the modern and the recovery of the British economy after WW2.
Beatle-Mania	Extreme enthusiasm for the Beatles pop group, as manifested in the frenzied behaviour of their fans in the 1960s.
Hippies	Someone who was a part of the youth movement in the 1960's and had involvement in rejecting some conventional values. Often had long hair and wore bright clothing.
Pop Art	Art based on modern popular culture and the mass media, especially as a critical or ironic comment on traditional fine art values.
Home décor	How a home is decorated, furnished and laid out.