

KS2 History ~Captain John Smith

Key Dates

9th January 1580	John Smith was born in Willoughby to George and Alice Smith
1600	John goes off to fight the Turks
1606	Three ships, Susan Constant, Godspeed, Discovery set sail for America
1608	John Smith elected President of Virginia
1609	Smith returned to England
1617	Pocohontas died at Gravesend
21st June 1631	John Smith died in London

Key Facts

John Smith was baptized in Willoughby Church and went to school in Alford and Louth.

He wanted to be a soldier and went to Willoughby Woods to train to be a knight.

The Tudor explorers thought there was gold in America but there was none to be found.

Key People

John Smith	Tudor soldier, sailor and explorer who became the first president of Virginia
Lord Willoughby	Owned the land round Willoughby and paid for John Smith to train to be a knight and a soldier
Elizabeth 1	Queen of England
James 1	King of Scotland and England
Powhatan	Indian Chief who wanted John Smith executed
Pocohontas	Indian chieftain's daughter who rescued John Smith from death
John Rolfe	Tudor sailor/explorer who married Pocohontas

Key Vocabulary

baptism	When a baby is christened into the church family
North America	One of the 7 continents of the world
colonise	Send settlers to a place and take control of it
settlers	People who move and live in a different place
explorer	Someone who visits a new and unfamiliar area
mutiny	A rebellion by soldiers and sailors against their officers
provisions	Food, possessions, things, supplies
knight	Mounted soldier who served his Lord

"Behaviour that's admired is the path to power among people everywhere."

~Beowulf