

ANNEXATION & COMMEMORATION

Dirk Hartog Island

This workshop will concentrate on Dirk Hartog Island, named for the visit of the Dutch explorer Dirk Hartog in 1616.

Dirk Hartog made one of the first recorded landfalls by a European on the Australian coastline, leaving a pewter plate to commemorate his visit.

This tradition was continued by later Dutch and French explorers.



Target audience:

Upper primary school: Years 4-7

Study area: Maritime archaeology/ history

Duration: 3 hours

Numbers: Maximum of 65 students

Skills developed:

- Ability to listen to an historical narrative and answer questions about the thoughts of people in the story
- How to question – who, what, when where why and how

Workshop outcomes:

- Students will gather an understanding of how early navigators and explorers from other parts of the world charting the Australian continent, impacted on the history of Australia and how it is today.
- Through the study of objects and historical journals they will gain an insight into the career of at least two of Australia's early explorers and their crews who visited Australia in the 17th and 18th centuries.

Cost: \$500 flat rate

Teacher's note:

Please note that the provision of two teachers is necessary for the effective delivery of this workshop.