

Literacy

In Literacy this term we are going to begin by looking at adventure stories, where we will experiment with language and speech. We will then cover a non-fiction unit on recounts, where children will write a diary entry of their experience as a Victorian child.

Our class read is *The Street Child* - a story of a young boy based in Victorian times. Children will develop their inference and deduction skills through Book Talk, which will look at different genres weekly.



Year 3 The Victorians

Miss Horrocks &
Mrs Partidge-Underwood



Maths

In Maths children focus on measurement; measuring, comparing, adding and subtracting length, mass and volume. They will then develop their skills on telling the time using an analogue clock, estimating and reading times with increasing accuracy. Children will continue to work on their arithmetic skills and will be tested on these weekly. It would be a great help if you could continue to practise the 3, 4 and 8 times tables at home.

Science

In Science, we will be looking at Plants

The children will learn the names of different parts of plants, and the jobs they do. We will work scientifically and collaboratively to investigate what plants need to grow well, and the children will present their findings to their classmates.



Geography and History

Children will explore what life was like during the Victorian times. We will discover facts about their houses, clothes, inventions and health as well as the major events of Queen Victoria's reign. Children will think about changes to the life of children from Victorian times to now linking to a lesson on child labour around the world and continuing issues



Music

Pupils will learn more songs which relate to their topic of The Victorians and practise performing these with increasing confidence. They will work with dynamics and tempo to make their performances more effective. Finally we will use percussion instruments to create our own accompaniment.

PE

In PE, we will be playing a variety of different team games to develop the children's team building skills. Later in the term we will be developing our Athletic skills in preparation for Sports Day. They will also continue with developing their skills in Tennis

ICT

Children will continue to learn about e-safety and putting things online. This term we will be looking at basic word-processing skills, the children will learn to use various features for formatting text.



Art and DT

In Art, children will develop their sketching skills and will work towards creating a portrait of Queen Victoria. Children will explore toys that were played with during the Victorian times - specifically pull along toys. Children will generate initial design ideas for their pull along toy.



RE and PSHE

In RE we will be looking at importance of religion to Victorians in daily life, leisure time, celebrations and death. In PSHE we will be recognising stereotypes; different types of relationships; respecting similarities and differences; bullying and discrimination; respecting others' feelings and opinions.

Things to remember:

PE - children will have PE with Mr Perry on a Wednesday afternoon and Tennis on a Thursday afternoon.

Spellings - children will be given weekly spellings on a Friday, they will be tested on these spellings the following Friday.

How can you support your child?

You can support your child at home by helping them to learn their spellings and completing their homework. Reading with your child regularly will support their fluency; asking them questions about the book will build comprehension skills. You can also practise mental recall of times tables and division facts as children will have weekly timestable quizzes.