

The main focus for learning this term will be:

'Victorians'

Literacy

- Reading - group focus on fiction. Children will explore different genres of text and discuss mental images created by reading. They will continue to develop prediction skills and explore an increasing range of fiction texts. Children will visit the library regularly to promote reading for enjoyment.
- Grammar - Types of nouns, using connectives in sentences.
- Spelling/phonics - revision of vowel sounds/consonant blends. Common words.
- Writing - will link to class topic. Children will draw and write comic strips. They will also plan/create a mystery story and learn how to write a diary entry.
- Handwriting - revise letter formation and introducing first sets of joins.
- Listening and Talking - showing the skills of good listeners, sharing own ideas and opinions & respecting others. Retelling the main events from Newsround.
- French - revising greetings, colours & numbers. Classroom instructions.

Numeracy/Maths

- Recap numbers to 100.
- Sequence decade/hundreds numbers.
- Numbers to 1000 - read/recognise 3-digit numbers. Place value.
- Counting on/back - steps of 5 and 10.
- Doubles & odd/even numbers.
- Time - Revise o'clock and half past. Use quarter past, quarter to. Tell the time in 5 minute intervals. Order times. Am and pm. Using timers to measure.

Health and Wellbeing

- Emphasis on school rules and rights. Creation of class community contract.
- Food and health - diet.
- Internet Safety
- PE - children will be developing motor skills and early Benchball skills.
- Friendship & recognising emotions.

Interdisciplinary Learning - 'Victorians' - historical/drama/numeracy focus.

- Social Studies skills covered - exploring artefacts/evidence. Recreating the story of a historical period. Comparing modern life to life in the past.
- Drama skills covered - negotiating roles, creating own character for storyline approach. Talking/acting in role.
- Numeracy skills covered - reading/creating a timetable. Telling the time. Chronology/timeline.

Discrete subjects

- Music - 'Victorian music hall'. Listening to Victorian music and discussing. Singing/performance.
- Science - 'Materials'. 'Disease'.
- RME - religious celebrations, Harvest
- Art - painting portraits. Mixing colours/tones.
- Technologies - inventions. How products have changed over time. Creating a product of the future.

Opportunities for personal achievement and involvement in the ethos and life of the school

- 'Pumphie Pals' - house group meetings.
- Junior Leadership Teams.
- Class Jobs - changed fortnightly.
- Sharing achievements at assembly and in class.

Other information

- PE days this term are Monday and Wednesday - please ensure children have shorts, t-shirt and gym shoes that fit well.
- Please send you child with a filled water bottle every day.
- Library day is Thursday.

At all times pupils should wear gym shoes indoors for health and safety reasons and to protect the floor coverings.