

Year 6—Autumn 1 Topic Overview

This half term, our topic is titled: The Victorians. In this topic, we will be looking at key events during the Victorian Era, such as the industrial revolution and the first railways which became significant turning points in British history.



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The Victorians

Reading

We shall be continuing and developing our understanding of the Victorian Era whilst reading various non fiction texts and a fiction book called Street Child. We will also read Oliver Twist alongside our English lessons.





Writing

In English lessons, we are focussing on developing character and setting description based on the film Oliver. We will be analysing and making careful vocabulary choices to portray a certain atmosphere as we write our final descriptions in the style of a short narrative.

Maths

This half term we will work on place value of numbers up to 10,000,000. We will also further develop our addition, subtraction, multiplication and division skills and apply these to multi-step word problems.

History

This half term, we will be learning about key events during the Victorian Era which resulted in significant turning points in British history. We will explore one of Queen Victoria's houses (Osborne House) during our residential to the Isle of Wight.

PSHE (Personal, Social, Heath Education)

This half term the theme is 'Healthy Relationships.' This will involve discussing challenges that arise from friendships and suggesting assertive behaviours and reactions when overcoming these within a group dynamic.

Computing

This half term, we will be exploring the concept of variables in programming through games in Scratch. We will identify what variables are and relate them to real-world examples of values that can be set and changed. We will apply our knowledge of variables and design to create and improve our own games in Scratch.

French

In French we will be learning vocabulary related to 'Presenting Myself'. We will be able to ask how someone is and where they live and respond ourselves when asked.

Games and PE

In Games we will be developing our skills of dribbling and team work through playing football. This half term we will develop our problem solving and navigation skills through orienteering in PE.

Science

This half term we will be learning how light behaves. We shall investigate this whilst looking at shadows and what happens when light hits certain materials.

RE (Religious Education)

Our concept in RE is rites of passage; we will explore what rites of passage are, focusing on Christian baptisms and humanist naming ceremony.

Key Dates:

House Captain Election Due—Thursday 14th September Little Canada Residential—Friday 22nd September to Monday 25th September Individual photos— Friday 29th September Parents Evening—Tuesday 7th and Thursday 9th November

PE Days (Please wear PE kit on these days):

Juniper- Wednesday and Thursday

Sycamore – Tuesday and Wednesday

Hawthorn-Tuesday and Wednesday

Homework reminders:

Please remember to check Google Classroom for a weekly reading comprehension and spelling task, as well as a link to Times Table Rockstars, which we would like the children to use to consolidate their multiplication tables. We expect the children to read at least 3 times each week and record this in their home/school diary. There will also be a separate maths sheet which will be handed to the children each week for them to complete. Homework will be set on a Friday and will be due in on the following Thursday.