

English: In English this half term the children will be analysing the text, *Oliver* by Charles Dickens. They will continue their learning by writing a missing chapter from the story. Following on from this, the children will then explore the dark and twisted tale of *The Highwayman* by Alfred Noyes. They will then write their own version of the tale. After this, the children will then be studying the *Giant's Necklace* by Michael Morpurgo.



TOPIC TITLE: The Victorians

Term: Spring 1

Year Group: 6

Trips/Visitors & cost

Victorian Day— £0

Monday 29th January

PE: This term, in PE, the children will be learning throwing and catching skills in basketball and explore rhythm and coordination in dance.

DT: This DT topic will focus on seasonal cooking. We are linking this to our Victorian topic to make soup from that period in history.

Computing: Variable in Games. This unit explores the concept of variables in programming through games in Scratch .

History/Geography  
The children will be learning about the Victorians and will be capturing their knowledge of that period by writing non-chronological reports and character descriptions from *Oliver*. The pupils will delve into what life was like for children in those times, focusing a lot on their hardships living in the workhouses. We will also host a Victorian Day at school.

RE: Children will learn a range of creation stories from world religions, less known or extinct religions as well as different cultures whilst comparing them.

Spanish: In this unit 'Yo Aprendo Español', children will learn to identify Spain on a map of the world., highlight famous Spanish cities, talk about other countries where Spanish is spoken and say their name in Spanish.

Maths: The children will be continuing with fractions for the first week back after the holidays. In between the transition between fractions and decimals, the children will spend a week learning about geometry including coordinates, translation and reflection. After this, we will return to the link between fractions, decimals and percentages where children will spot connections and patterns and reason with their known facts.

Science: This unit 'Animals and Humans' teaches children how to: identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood; recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function; and finally, they learn how to describe how nutrients are transported.

PSHE: Living In The Wider World. The children will be learning about the Rights of The Child and also we will be focusing on mental health.

How you can help:

Daily Reading and Comprehension sheets.

Daily Times Tables using Times Table Rock Stars and worksheets.

## HOMEWORK

This includes:

- Completing reading and maths homework sheets
- Practice Times Tables (Times Tables Rock Stars)
- Practice spellings regularly
- Project work
- Reading for 10 minutes a day

The children can create any project based on our topic, **The Victorians**. The project is due on the last week of Spring 2 Term. Ideas could include:

1. Power Point
2. Minecraft
3. Building a structure
4. 3D model
5. Plan a journey on a map to the Arctic
6. Collage of a frozen kingdom
7. Artistic
8. Information booklet
9. Diary from the perspective of a Victorian.

## YEAR GROUP SPELLING LIST

accommodate	category	determined	forty	marvellous	programme	soldier
accompany	cemetery	develop	frequently	mischievous	pronunciation	stomach
according	committee	dictionary	government	muscle	queue	sufficient
achieve	communicate	disastrous	guarantee	necessary	recognise	suggest
aggressive	community	embarrass	harass	neighbour	recommend	symbol
amateur	competition	environment	hindrance	nuisance	relevant	system
ancient	conscience	equipment	identity	occupy	restaurant	temperature
apparent	conscious	equipped	immediate	occur	rhyme	thorough
appreciate	controversy	especially	immediately	opportunity	rhythm	twelfth
attached	convenience	exaggerate	individual	parliament	sacrifice	variety
available	correspond	excellent	interfere	persuade	secretary	vegetable
average	criticise	existence	interrupt	physical	shoulder	vehicle
awkward	curiosity	explanation	language	prejudice	signature	yacht
bargain	definite	familiar	leisure	privilege	sincere	
bruise	desperate	foreign	lightning	profession	sincerely	