

# Term 4 Newsletter

## The Victorians

#### Dear Parents,

We hope you have a fun and enjoyable half term! Next term, our topic takes us all the way back to 1837 and the revolutionary Victorians. Our text is 'Street Child' by Bertie Doherty. We will be exploring what life was like in the workhouses, at school and what life was like in our area during the period— and that is just the start. We will be getting musical with songs from the Old Music Halls, trying our hand at some clay work and giving Sir Arthur Conan Doyle a run for his money when we create our own detective stories. Keep your eyes peeled for some information to follow regarding details for this term's Home Project, which will lead to our very own Great Exhibition!

Reading	Please read with your child at least three times a week at home and ensure that their reading record is signed and dated. A member of staff will be checking reading diaries on a Friday.
Spellings	Spelling tests are every Friday, and your child will be tested on the spelling pattern they have learnt about that week. New spellings will be sent out every Monday.
Maths	Maths homework will be set on a Monday and will be expected to have been completed by the Friday of that week. Maths homework for Year 5 will be set on a sheet photocopied for them. Year 6 Maths homework is set in their CGP Arithmetic books.
Times Tables	Each child has a Times Table Rockstars login and should be practising their tables (either on this website or in another way) three times a week at home.
Grammar	Grammar homework will be sent home on a Monday and your child will have two weeks to complete this, due in on the Friday.

### Helping to enrich our topics

It is always great to have items or visitors that support our topic, so if anyone has any experience or items that may help us with any of the work above that we could hear about or borrow, we would love to see and hear about them.

#### <u>Useful Websites</u>

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/victorian\_britain/victorian\_schools/

https://victorianchildren.org/victorian-schools/

www.purplemash.org.uk

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z826n39

### Questions you could ask your child about their learning this term

How were schools different during the Victorian times? Why is Queen Victoria so famous? What impact has the Victorian era has on today? How was life different for the rich and poor?

#### Reminders

Please can you make sure your child brings in a water bottle each day with fresh water, ensure all jumpers are labelled and bring a coat to school. Sycamore Class have PE on Tuesday and Wednesday (please send your child in wearing their PE clothes, in line with school policy).

As always, many thanks for your continued support.

Mr Cline, Miss Webb and Mrs Taylor



# The Victorians Learning Map



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