

# Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter Spring 2 2024

Our topic for this half term is "Victorians".



## HISTORY

### Victorians

As Historians we will be looking at the Victorian Era.

#### Key Knowledge and Skills:

We will experience a Victorian school day and the lifestyles of the rich and poor. We will also discover new inventions from Victorian times. We will learn about Queen Victoria, Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and Alexander Graham Bell

We will continue to develop skills such as creating timelines, fact finding and using a range of sources to compare past and present.



## ENGLISH

### Writing



As Writers, we will be focusing on the text of 'The True Story of the Three Little Pigs', a wolves non-fiction text and a poem called 'A recipe to make a wolf'.

We will be focusing on the skills of simple contractions, possessive apostrophes, different sentence types and past and present progressive tense.



### Reading



As Readers we will be looking at 'Good Little Wolf', 'Monty the Manatee and 'Vlad and Florence Nightingale. We will be focusing on the skills of retrieval, inference and prediction.



## Music

### Zoo time



As Musicians, children will use improvisation skills and techniques by clapping, singing and playing a Glockenspiel.



#### Key Knowledge and Skills

We will have knowledge about different genres of music and musical terms. We will continue to develop skills in finding a steady beat, singing songs, playing an instrument, and composing and performing.



## COMPUTING

### Spreadsheets

As computer experts we will find out how spreadsheets work and the tools that can be used in a spreadsheet and find out about binary trees.

#### Key Knowledge and Skills:

We will use tools: image, lock, move cell, totalling, equals and count. We will copy and paste, create money calculations on a spreadsheet. Also, we will collect data and produce graphs.

## MATHS

As Mathematicians, we will be investigating measurements.

Length, height,, mass, capacity and temperature

#### Key Knowledge and Skills

As Mathematicians, we will measure centimetres and metres; compare/order length and heights and use the four operations with length and height.

As Mathematicians, we will compare mass, volume and capacity; measure grams, kilograms, millilitres and litres. We will use the four operations with mass and to solve problems with volume, capacity and temperature.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Holy Places



#### Key Knowledge and Skills

We will look at sacred places, their features and symbols. We will reflect on places that are special to us.



### PSHE: Healthy Me

We will be discussing how the body stays healthy and what we need to keep our body healthy.

#### Key Knowledge and Skills:

To know what our body needs to stay healthy; what makes us stressed and relaxed, know how medicines work in our bodies and it is important to use them safely.



## ART

As Artists, we will be printing our own wallpaper design in the style of William Morris.

#### Key Knowledge and Skills:

We will be inspired by William Morris' designs to make a tile in order to print our own wallpaper, using a repeating pattern.



## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

As Athletes, we will have opportunities to extend our agility, balance and co-ordination.

#### Key Knowledge and Skills:

Through Invasion Games, we will develop skills in Balance and Core, Travelling, Agility, Sending and Receiving. We will experience a variety of small apparatus.



## SCIENCE

### "Animals, including Humans"

#### Key Knowledge and Skills:

We will continue to investigate what key elements we need in order to survive and grow. We will discover the importance of nutrition and exercise.

We will know how animals adapt to different environments and look at Lifecycles.



**HOMEWORK PROJECT:** Make your own Victorian invention. To be handed in by: **Monday 18th March**