

Literacy

Narrative – Stories with historical settings (Street Child – Victorians; Friend or Foe - WWII) and stories set in imaginary worlds (Ice Palace).

Non-narrative – Recount texts (letters and diaries of Victorians) and information texts.

Poetry – creating images.

Geography

As part of their Victorian studies, children will:

- compare maps at various scales and over time;
- investigate human geography including changes in population over time; and
- examine changes in local physical geography due to changes in methods of transport.

History

Local study – How did our local area change in Victorian times? What was it like for adults and children living in Victorian times?

The Children will identify changes over time based on examining and comparing information including census records, maps, transport methods and other historical evidence.

Compare and contrast the life of the royal family with an ordinary family, working conditions and labour reforms.

RE

Celebrations and journeys through the context of Christmas.

Numeracy

Topics covered this term will include: number, place value, addition and subtraction – jottings and formal written methods.

Key focus – developing and securing arithmetic fluency including:

- rapid recall of all multiples to 12x12;
- addition and subtraction facts; and
- developing formal written calculation methods for addition and subtraction.

Science

Animals, including humans

Pupils will study the basic parts of the digestive system, identify the different types and functions of teeth and a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey.

Computing

E-safety and Digital Literacy

Rings of Responsibility - Showing respect online and offline.

Private and Personal Information - Sharing your information with others

The Power of Words - Cyber bullying

The Key to Keywords - Accuracy in searches

Whose is it, anyway? - Introduction to plagiarism

Year 4 autumn term Victorians



Music

Developing key skills in pitch and rhythm by singing and playing tuned and un-tuned percussion.

PSHE & SEAL

A focus on: 'Rules and you' and 'keeping myself safe' (linked to Computing topic).

Art and DT

Famous Artist - Children will investigate the work of William Morris (Victorian Artist) particularly pattern work. They use stenciling and print-making techniques and explore ways of combining and organising shapes, colours and patterns.

Mechanical toys - Children examine cam mechanisms and design and make a cam toy suitable for a Victorian child.

Enterprise

Children will take part in a Victorian themed school morning. Throughout the afternoon parents will be invited to assist the construction of a cam driven moving toy.

MFL

Speaking, reading and writing French.

PE

A variety of activities to develop individual and group skills in small-sided team games.