

Year 1: Spring 2025

History

We are going to be learning all about the Victorian Era this half term. We will be looking at what life was like for a Victorian child, such as going to school, their houses and the toys that children played with; we will be comparing this with our own lives.

Geography

In Geography we will be learning about the weather and seasons. We will identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom.

English

In English we will be reading lots of non fiction texts as well as doing non-fiction writing. We will be writing a fact file about Queen Victoria and a recount about our trip. We will also use expanded noun phrases in the story about toys and look at a poem from the Victorian era.

At home, keep practising your spellings. You can also be practising spelling the days of the week.

PE/Games

Outdoor PE will be on **Thursday**, we will be practising our ball skills in Invasion Games. Later on we will be sending and receiving.

Indoor PE will be on a **Wednesday**, we will be doing gymnastics and fundamentals.

Art/DT

We will be learning about the artist Barbara Hepworth. We are also creating miniature sculptures for Queen Victoria. In D&T we will be making a Victorian toy.

Back in the Day



Maths

We will be starting this half term with Addition and Subtraction to 20. After that we will be doing Place Value with numbers up to 50. You could help your child at home by making sure they are writing their numbers the correct way round and then start practising the numbers 1-10 as words.

RE

In RE we will be looking at an introduction to Judaism and after the half term we will be answering the question "Why was Jesus welcomed like a King on Palm Sunday? (Christianity)

Science

This half term we will be learning about materials. We will be naming everyday materials as well as describing them. We will then be investigating the different properties of materials.

PSHE

Our PSHE unit this half term is 'Dreams and Goals'. We will be thinking about our successes and what we need to do to achieve a goal. Later on we will be learning about 'Relationships'.

Trips / Educational Experience

We are going on a trip to the Milestones Museum where we will be learning about Victorian school and Victorian shopping. After half term we are hoping to hold our own 'Great Exhibition' in school like Queen Victoria did. Look out for more information coming home later on.

Music

First theme for our music lessons is 'Superheroes'. It explores the concept of soundscapes, graphic score and the inter-related dimensions of pitch, dynamics and tempo. Later on we will have 'Toys' -pupils will perform with an awareness of a steady pulse and have the opportunity to improvise on both tuned and untuned percussion instruments.

ICT

We will be moving a robot (a beebot). The children will learn about algorithms, how they are implemented as programs on digital devices, and that programs execute by following precise and unambiguous instructions. Later on we will be grouping data.