

The Victorians Spring 1 Year 4

RE

In RE we will be studying Buddhism. We will find out how the religion was founded and how followers worship the Buddha in the modern world.



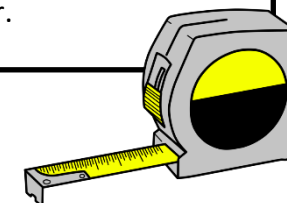
English

In **English** we will be exploring examples of Victorian literature. A variety of media will be used to stimulate creative writing including books, films, illustrations and music. Our main text will be "**Oliver Twist**" by Charles Dickens. Our writing target relates to the development of more complex sentences (from the use of simple conjunctions to the development of complex sentences using clauses and phrases). Our reading target focuses on developing and improving an ability to refer to a text when answering questions while discussing the authors use of specific language.



Maths

Our main focus this half term is multiplication and division. Children will learn how to multiply and divide a 2- or 3-digit number by a 1-digit number efficiently. Knowledge of times table facts up to 12 x12 is important so this will be a continual target. New mathematical language, "factors", "factor pairs" and "product" will be introduced. Children will become confident multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100 and able to explain what has happened to the starting number. Problem solving and reasoning questions are an integral part of this learning. We will look at the relationship between metres and kilometres. Children will also be taught about how to calculate perimeter.



Art /D&T

As **artists** we will be looking at pattern, experimenting with the styles used by Victorian artists such as Edward Lear and William Morris. As **designers** we will be designing and creating money containers. We will learn a range of stitches, design purses and wallets and work with textiles.



MFL

In French our topic is "Les voyages". We will find out where French is spoken in the world. We will learn to talk about how we travel to different places and use the French names for North, East, South and West.



Computing

We will look at coding and programming with Scratch.

SCRATCH



Science

In Science we will be learning about moving and growing. We will begin by identifying life processes and move onto a greater understanding of bones and skeletons, muscles and exercise.



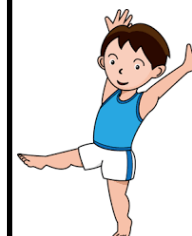
History and Geography

In Topic we will be learning about the Victorian Era with particular focus on what it was like for a child growing up in these times. We will look at the differences between the lives of rich children and poor children, researching jobs they did, the education they received and how they spent their leisure time. We will look at people, such as Thomas Barnardo and Lord Shaftesbury, who campaigned to alter the lives of poor children.



Physical Education

In Gymnastics we will be refining skills of travelling, jumping, balancing and rolling and linking ideas to create longer sequences. We will transfer floor skills onto the apparatus. The children will also be taught hockey skills with Mrs Welch ready for a tournament at Easter.



Relationship and Health Education

The focus this half term is computer safety, and we will be exploring the actions children can take if they feel they are being bullied online.



Music

We will continue to learn to play the ukulele, developing our understanding of chords.

