

SCIENCE

Our Science Topic for this term is light. The children will recognise that humans need light to see. They will develop their understanding about reflections, shadows and the dangers of looking at the sun. They will carry out experiments to look at the movement of shadows, as well as creating shadow puppets to explore the idea of opaque and transparent objects and how these block light to create shadows.



GEOGRAPHY

This term in geography, children will compare Victorian Hackney to Hackney now with the use of maps. They will give directions using compass points. In human geography, they will interpret data to gain a deeper understanding of life in Victorian times.



HISTORY

Children will research and find out about what life was like for children in Victorian times. They will use a range of sources to investigate different aspects of their lives and consider the impact of the Victorians on the world today.



ENGLISH

Key Text:

Queen Victoria's Bathing Machine by Gloria Whelan
Frankenstein by Mary Shelley



Writing Outcomes:

Children will write speech and thought bubbles related to Prince Albert's ideas to create a bathing machine. They will create a ship's log to describe seeing Queen Victoria swimming, as well as writing instructions for making catapults. They will also write a setting description of a scene from the book followed by a character description of Frankenstein. After this, they will retell the story through a narrative.

Key Writing Skills:

- Using exciting and interesting word choices
- Using expanded noun phrases
- Using the 'power of three' to describe
- Using inverted commas for speech

ART, DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

Using a range of skills and equipment, children will design and create their own mine carts. They will also create a collage of Victorian clothing with materials.

This term, children will also critique the work of a focussed artist, LS Lowry.



PSHE / SMSC



Our topic is 'Being Me in My World'. We will be exploring different emotions and feelings, and thinking about how we can create a positive classroom environment.

Curriculum Newsletter

AUTUMN TERM

Year 3

Theme: Victorians

Key Golden Question: What did the Victorians do for us?

Hook: Victorian classroom experience!

PE is on: Tuesday morning (swimming)

Homework is due in: Wednesday

MUSIC



During our music lessons we will be learning an RnB song 'Let Your Spirit Fly'. We will begin to recognise styles, find the pulse and recognise different instruments. We will then be learning to use the glockenspiels.

MATHEMATICS



Topics:

In Maths, securing our understanding of place value for 3 and 4 digit numbers, using this understanding to order numbers to 1000. We will also be using this knowledge to do addition and subtraction using a column method and we will be starting to record using regrouping. We will be using number lines, 100 squares and other concrete resources to support us.

Mental Maths:

- 2x 3x 4x 5x 10x tables
- Adding or subtracting 100 from a number
- Doubling
- Odds and evens

