

SCIENCE

In Science, we will be recapping and building on our knowledge of flowering plants. We will be learning more about the functions of different parts of a plant, and how water travels through the plant. We will then be learning about different appliances that use electricity, learning about circuits and recognising what makes materials conductors or insulators.



GEOGRAPHY

This term in geography, children will learn about canals in Hackney, comparing them to Victorian times. They will recap the continents as well as look at the Commonwealth. 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:

The Little Queen: The Amazing Story Of Queen Victoria by Stewart Ross

Frankenstein by Mary Shelley

A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens

Writing Outcomes:

Children will write speech and thought bubbles related to Queen Victoria and her early life. They will create letters and accounts to describe how it was to live in the Victorian era. 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 and study of A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens.

Key Writing Skills:

- 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 will be thinking about how we can create a positive classroom environment.

Curriculum Newsletter

AUTUMN TERM

Year 4

Theme: Victorians

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

Hook: Victorian classroom experience!

PE is on: Monday afternoon

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 and find the pulse and recognise different instruments. We will then be learning to use the glockenspiels.

MATHEMATICS



Topics:

- Place Value- comparing and ordering numbers to 1000 and beyond
- Addition and subtraction—up to 4 digit numbers with and without regrouping
- Multiplication and subtraction using the column method
- Fractions

Mental Maths:

Times tables $\times 4 \times 8$

10 more and 10 less

Doubling and halving

Number bonds up to 20 (e.g. $17 + 3 = 20$)

