

Vile Victorians

Year 5 T1 & 2 2023-24

This term we are studying the Vile Victorians. It is a fantastic topic which allows us to examine the different lives of the rich and the poor. We will focus particularly on life for those who were sent to the workhouse and this will link to the book we are studying in English- 'Street Child' by Berlie Doherty.

We will also be having a Victorian theme day in school- when schooling was a little different to now! We encourage all Year 5 staff and children to dress as Victorians for this day to help them gain the most from the experience. We will also be visiting Gressenhall Museum and immersing ourselves in Victorian life.



Our Christian values this term are 'Respect & Reverence' linked with 'Creation'. In term 2, we focus on 'Peace', linked with 'Friendship'. In RE we will be learning about how Hindus and Muslims reflect their faith in the way they live.

Extreme English!

In English this term, we will be completing a text study on the children's book 'Street Child'. We will be writing diary recounts from two different perspectives. In term 2, we will undertake narrative writing based on the text Way Home by Libby Hathorn.



Can your child become a Times Table Rock Star?

We are continuing with Times Table Rock Stars in school and are working hard to ensure that your children are given the best opportunity to reach 'Rock God' status (answering questions in less than 1 second) but you can help at home as well rehearsing tables and practising online or on the app with Times Table Rock Stars.

<https://trockstars.com/login>

Get those hearts racing...

Our PE days are on a **Wednesday and Thursday** and this will involve swimming (Wednesday) and a PE lesson. Please ensure you have the correct kit in school everyday.



Helping at home

For our 'Take Care Homework' we would like the children to complete **at least three** challenges from a selection of topic related tasks. Homework is **due** in no later than **Monday 16th October**. We encourage the children to take pride in the production of these pieces of homework, so please support your child to organise their time and resources.

Children in Year 5 are expected to read **every night for 10 minutes or more**, as this supports their learning in so many ways. You can help by encouraging them and hearing them read as often as you can. Please remember to evidence their reading by filling out the reading diary. Reading books should be in school every day.

Dive Into Maths!

This term will be focussing on number and place value including addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will end Term 2 looking at area and perimeter.

Our door is always open!

Should you have any worries, concerns or questions throughout the term, please feel free to catch us in the playground or make an appointment.



Respect and Reverence
 "Only fear the LORD and serve Him in truth with all your heart; for consider what great things He has done for you."
 1 Samuel 12:24



Article 28:
 Every child has the right to an education.

