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Dear Parents/Carers,

VICTORIAN DAY

As you are aware, in Year 5 we are studying the Vile Victorians in Term 1. In addition to our Southwell Workhouse school visit, we would like to give the children a Victorian experience day in school on Wednesday 11th September.

On this day, we intend to travel back in time to give the children an immersive experience of a typical Victorian school day, investigate our own environment by looking at primary and secondary sources for clues and evidence of our Victorian past and examine the school's logbook from this period.

To help bring the day to life, we would like to encourage the children to dress in the Victorian costume. Please do remember that the costume can be very simple such as trousers, long socks, a shirt and cap for boys and a long dark coloured dress or skirt and a pinny/shawl for the girls. We have included some suggested ideas at the end of this letter. It does not need to be a purchased costume. If you have any questions or would like any ideas for a costume, then please see your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your support - we are all looking forward to a great day.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Thomas
Year 5 Leader

Girls

- Bonnet, scarf or straw hat
- Hair worn loose or in plaits
- Hair tied with ribbons
- Plain knee or calf length dress (or a skirt and top)
- Plain white apron
- Shawl or wide scarf drawn over head or shoulders
- Long socks or thick, plain tights
- Stout dark shoes or boots



Boys

- Flat cap
- Handkerchief or scarf tied at neck
- Old shirt with collar cut off or tucked inside
- Trousers tucked into long socks, grey/black 'school' shorts or cut down old school trousers
- Button up waistcoat
- Long socks
- Stout dark shoes or boots