

Year group: 5
Term: 4: The Victorians

**Resilient
Independent
Inquisitive
Global citizens**

History

We learn about the reign of Queen Victoria. Our topic gives an overview of the Victorian period in Britain and highlights some of the major changes and their effects during this time, including the impact of the Industrial Revolution. Our residential trip to Ironbridge shall provide a fitting culmination to our learning.

English

We will be engaging in the text 'Journey' by Aaron Becker constructing our own narratives based upon this story. We shall also be writing our own persuasive texts based upon Victorian inventions as well as analysing classical poetry written by Edward Lear and Walter de la Mare.

Maths

Within our 'Perimeter and Area' unit, we measure and calculate perimeter as well as finding the area of compound and irregular shapes. Following this, we work on 'Multiplication and Division' where we learn to multiply 3 and 4-digits as well as dividing with remainders.

PSHE

This term our unit is 'Healthy Me'. We will be discussing issues such as smoking, drinking and healthy eating and exploring how to make the right choices.

Art

We focus upon Victorian inventions and learn about how the Victorians envisaged the future. We then contrast this with how current artists envisage the future before considering and designing our own vision of the future using our sketchbooks to document our thoughts and processes,

ICT

We will be continuing with our video unit. This includes analysing filming techniques; using a storyboard to plan a video; importing and editing video and evaluating our videos!

DT

We begin to develop understanding of mechanical systems and learn about controlling movement with a cam mechanism. We make a simple cam mechanism to formulate an understanding of how different shaped cams can be used to produce different movements.

Science

The 'Properties and Changes of Materials' unit teaches about different uses and properties of materials as well as dissolving. Investigations focus upon sorting objects and classifying according to their properties as well as finding the most suitable material for a purpose. Furthermore, we learn about Marie Curie's work.

PE: Dance - using movement to explore and communicate ideas and issues, and their own feelings and thoughts. Outdoor Adventurous Activities - Working individually, collaboratively in pairs and groups to solve problems. Developing teamwork skills through completion of challenges.

Spanish: We learn about colours and Easter.

Music: We will be delving into the realms of soul music with a Motown unit. We will be learning to sing our key song 'Dancing in the Street' by Martha And The Vandellas and we will also be continuing to hone our musical skills, playing along on glockenspiels and recorders.