

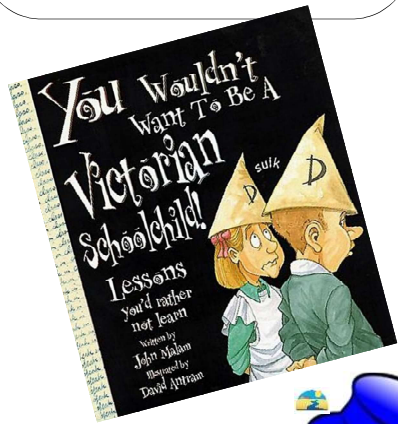
Dear Parents,

This half term our topic is all about the Victorians. We will learn about who the Victorians were, Queen Victoria herself, crime and punishment in the era, what life was like for working children and education in the Victorian times. Alongside this History topic, we will also be learning about the circulatory system in Science – looking at the heart and what is in our blood. In Computing we will be looking at video, recording and editing them. We will also be studying the medium of charcoal in art.

Mrs Timmins

**Our recommended read:**

This half term 'You wouldn't want to be a Victorian schoolchild' will be available at the library or in school for you to borrow and share at home.



**Things to remember:**

**Tuesday** - PE day and forest school

**Thursday** - Reading books changed and PE day

**Friday** - Spelling test and library day

**Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Feb** - **Dress up** like a Victorian day

**Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Feb** - **Y5 trip** to Centre for Life

Who was **Queen Victoria**?

What was **crime and punishment**?



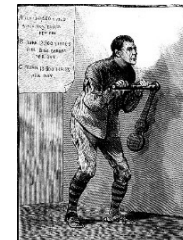
*Villainous Victorians*

What was **school** like?

What **jobs** did the Victorian child have?

What **clothes** did they wear?

**Spring 1**



**Victorian Schools**

Education became compulsory in 1870 for 5-10 year olds. Schools were separated into boys and girls.

**Prince Albert**

Queen Victoria's well loved husband who died in 1861. This event changed Queen Victoria.

**Crime and Punishment**

The Victorians invented the first Police Officers and had some brutal punishments for crimes.

**Useful words**

**Bobbie** – Victorian slang for a Police Officer (after Sir Robert [Bobby] Peel who founded the Police Force.

**Cane** – made from bamboo, rattan or birch. Teachers used this to punish children.

**Empire** – a group of countries ruled over by a single monarch.

**Industrial Revolution** – When machine manufacture became popular.

**Mangle** – a machine with two rollers that squeezed water out of clothes.

**Prison** – the main form of punishment in Victorian times.

**Queen Victoria** – the reigning monarch from 1837-1901

**Reign** – to rule as monarch

**Trial** – the act of hearing a case in court to decide whether or not a person has broken a particular law.

**Workhouse** – a large building where poor people who had no job or home lived.