



Autumn First Half Term Bulletin



Welcome to the first Topic news of the new school year!

In Year 6 our 'Snappy Title' is



The Vile Victorians!

Year 6 will be finding out all about the Victorian period in History. The changes that happened in Britain at that time during the reign of Queen Victoria.

SPARKLING START

To 'Hook' the children into the topic they will be watching various video clips of Victorian Britain and analysing the differences and similarities between modern day living and in the late 19th century. We will be taking a Victorian walk around Kendal town to see how the town has changed and visiting Kendal Parish church looking for evidence of Victorian history-a very exciting local study.

FABULOUS FINISH

During the final week of the half term we will also be visiting Quarry Bank Mill at Style to further enhance the children's learning. This is an original cotton mill where the children will find out all about what life was like for children in that period of history. A letter will be sent out nearer the time.

HOW CAN PARENTS HELP?

If you or anyone you know has an interest in the Victorians we would be very keen to have visitors in school to enhance the children's learning. Furthermore we would very much welcome donations/offers of any Victorian toys, games, old appliances, clothes for our research area. (All items will be returned in the same condition)

PE AND GAMES

PE / Games lessons in Year 6 will be 'Clubbersize' with Mrs Sunter-a fun dance sessions (we might even have some glow sticks!) these will be on a Wednesday afternoon. The second session will be with Mr Harris where they will learn to become 'Sports Leaders'-planning and organising games- with a view to support the KS1 children at lunchtimes. There will also be an opportunity for the class to learn some traditional Victorian dances!

It is essential your child has the correct kit in school:

PE kit comprises of:

- T shirt
- Shorts
- Tracksuit top / jumper
- Tracksuit bottoms
- Trainers that correctly support feet and ankles (not skate shoes)



EQUIPMENT

Children are welcome to bring pencil cases to school with them, although they should be of a size that fits in their tray. Children can also bring a water bottle to drink from during the day.

HOMEWORK



The purpose of homework in Year 6 is to consolidate the learning that has taken place within the classroom and to prepare them for the Year 6 SATs later on during the academic year. Homework will be given out on a Wednesday, this will comprise of a Maths activity and English/Topic piece. These will be handed in on the following Wednesday. Spellings will be given on a Monday and although the children will complete activities to support learning their spellings in school, it is also expected that they learn them at home. A spelling quiz will be given on a Friday. Children in Year 6 should read for at least 15 minutes 5 times a week. They will have structured Guided Readings at least once per week for 30 minutes with an adult.

AND FINALLY.....

The teaching pattern will follow last year, Mrs Flynn teaching on a Monday, Thursday and Friday and Mrs Green on a Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs Winn, Mrs Lovelady, Mrs Sunter and Mrs Hicks will support the class over the week and Mrs Brennand will volunteer across certain days.

Please do not hesitate to come and see us if you have any queries or questions

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Flynn, Mrs Green and the year 6 team