



We packed a lot into our first half term and the coming few weeks will be equally busy as we head towards Christmas. Our Victorian School Day was enjoyed by all and allowed the children to experience how their education might have been different had they been born in the Victorian era. We also enjoyed our trip to Ripon Museum and we are looking forward to seeing you at our Year Six 'Victorians on Trial' Assembly, our Mad Hatter's Tea Party and at the upcoming Parent Consultations.

We begin this half term creating biographies for famous Victorians, including Charles Dickens and learning about how our modern day Christmas has been greatly influenced by the Victorians. Some important dates are listed below, including our assembly. On that day, following the assembly, parents, carers and grandparents are invited to join us for our Mad Hatter's Tea Party where we will be fundraising for Barnardos. Contributions of cakes and buns would be greatly appreciated, as we will also be holding a bun sale at playtime for the rest of the school. Finally, we will be welcoming Mrs Shillaker back from her maternity leave on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November. Here's to another learning-packed half term! Our sincere thanks for your continued and valued support

Victorians: Vile or Virtuous?		Important Dates:	
			
<p>8.11.19 – Times Table Rock Day  15.11.19 – Year Six 'Victorians on Trial' Assembly  15.11.19 – Mad Hatter's Tea Party (following assembly)  18.11.19 – Life Caravan  26.11.19-27.11.19 – Parent Consultations  3.12.19 – Rewind to Christmas at Shipley Baptist Church  10.12.19 &amp; 12.12.19 – KS2 Christmas concert 7pm  11.12.19 – KS2 Christmas concert 2.15pm  17.12.19 – Christmas Party</p>			
Homework		Learning Log	PE Days
<p>Due every Friday:  Spelling rule revision  Arithmetic revision  Homework menu and daily reading</p>		<p>Our next Learning Log will be sent out two weeks before the Christmas holidays and will involve children planning and carrying out a charitable project.</p>	<p>Thursday – Outdoor  Hockey  Friday – Indoor  Dance – Oliver the Musical</p>
Curriculum			
English	Maths	Science	
<p>We will be studying the life and work of Charles Dickens and writing and designing our own biographies.  We will then study the characters of Oliver Twist using the film to write diary entries and descriptive narratives. Then we will revise our comprehension skills through analysing Christmas adverts and animations.</p>	<p>It's all about fractions this half term. After comparing, ordering and simplifying, we will learn how to calculate fractions using the four operations.  Then, we will revise finding fractions of amounts before moving on to revising 2D and 3D shapes. Finally, we will use geometry to plot in the four quadrants.</p>	<p>We will be using our scientific skills to investigate whether light travels in straight lines, how shadows are formed, the speed it travels and how it can be reflected. We will work through different investigations, gathering evidence to prove our findings beyond reasonable doubt.</p>	
Humanities	Art/DT	Computing	
<p>We continue our investigations of the Victorians. We'll be putting them on trial at our assembly. In addition to our work on Dickens and Morris, we'll be looking at some of the achievements of great Victorian women (including the Victorian-born, Emmeline Pankhurst) and asking why they are sometimes missing from the history books. We'll conclude our topic by looking at our great Victorian Christmas traditions.</p>	<p>We will study the life and works of William Morris and Gaudi to make comparisons of their art. We will then consider how their work influenced society more widely. We will use this to make our own designs using different media, including printing.</p>	<p>Children will be using code to design a game. They will design, write and debug a program to solve a problem, or puzzle.   Then we will be programming animations for a scene from Oliver Twist.</p>	
Teaching Team		Support Team	
<p>Mr C Evans – Deputy Headteacher – Alan Turing  Mrs H Shillaker – Alan Turing  Miss R Hayden – Katherine Johnson  Mrs S Powell – Guided Reading  Madame Thakker – Francais  Mrs N Littlewood – PE</p>		<p>Mr A Feather – HLTA  Mrs L Hodgson – Teaching Assistant  Miss R Bibi – Teaching Support Apprentice</p>	