

## Year Six Newsletter: Autumn 1 2020

We're so excited! This half term promises to be full of exciting learning opportunities for our Year Six children. Our topic is **The Victorians**; **Vile or Virtuous?**. We will be exploring the inventions and achievements of great Victorians and life as a Dickensian street urchin. We are looking forward to learning about how the dramatic changes and industrial progress during the Victorian era has shaped our lives today. We will also be studying the lives of Queen Victoria, and Charles Dickens, debating whether the Victorian era could be described as 'Vile or Virtuous?'

Watch this space!

We will be exploring ways to raise money for the children's charity Barnado's following some research as to the charity's origins.

In the meantime, if you have any queries please don't hesitate to call or email. Miss Hayden and Miss Fletcher rachelhayden@saltaire.bradford.sch.uk\_caitlinfletcher@saltaire.bradford.sch.uk

Key Dates			
The Victorians: Victorian School Day to be confirmed   Saltaire Victorian Tour to be confirmed   Week commencing 19th October – Parent Consultations, further   information will follow as to how these will be held.			
Homework	Learning Log	PE Days	
Due every Friday: Spelling rule revision SATs Companion – set tasks and any practice.	Learning logs will be sent home on 16 <sup>th</sup> October and we would like it to be returned by 9 <sup>th</sup> November in time for our Learning Log exhibition.	Monday– Outdoor Basket Ball Friday – Indoors Dance	
Curriculum			
English	Maths	Science	
Children will start the term writing their own end of year report; this will be a fantastic opportunity for the children to think ahead to what they hope to have written about them in the summer term. It will also give them the opportunity to write formally and appropriately for the audience. We will then move on to explore some script writing, where we will use the story of Oliver Twist as our inspiration, we hope the children will enjoy doing some role play and performance work and will even be able to perform from their scripts for the rest of the class. We will end our half term by exploring texts that create excitement and build up suspense. We will be having a go at writing our own adventures using the techniques and skills we see other authors use.	Place Value   The half-term will start with use   exploring:   -Numbers to 10 million   -Compare and order numbers   -Rounding numbers   -Negative numbers   -Negative numbers   Our second Year Six unit will cover   the following:   -Add and subtract integers   -Multiply 4 digits by 2 digits   -Short division   -Division using factors   -Long division   -Common factors   -Common multiples   -Prime numbers to 100   -Square numbers   -Cube numbers   -Order operations   -Mental calculations and   estimation   -Reason from known facts	This half term we will be studying electricity. The children will be taught to: -associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit -compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches -use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.	
Humanities	Art/DT	PSHE	
We will be learning about how the industrial progress during the Victorian era has shaped our lives today. We will also be studying the lives of Queen Victoria, Charles Dickens and Dr Barnado, debating whether the Victorian era could be described as 'Vile or Virtuous?'	We will be studying the art of Alice in Wonderland. This will feature still ink drawings based on the work of Henri Matisse. Then we will turn these into 3D models in the fashion of the Mad Hatter's Tea Party. We will also design costumes and cake decorations	We will start the half term following our whole school focus of Bright Horizons: this will be a great opportunity for the children to reflect on their recent experiences and think about what they hope to achieve this year. We will also move on to look at our health and wellbeing, ensuring that we know the best way to have a healthy lifestyle.	



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Teaching Team	Support Team	
iss R Hayden – Johnson	Mrs Todd- Turing Class	
iss Fletcher – Turing	Miss Nicol- Johnson Class	
naron Snaylam- Art and DT	Mr Sheppard-Year Six Apprentice	

## Leader of Learning in the Later Phase

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the Later Phase Leader of Learning. I have worked in year groups across the whole school and have been leader of English for the last three years. My work as English leader and on spoken language has led me to be recognised as a Specialist Leader of Education in Bradford. I am passionate about instilling a love of learning in all of our children. If you would like to speak to me about any aspect of your child's learning or school experience, then please contact the office or email at the address below.

