



Please note...

**Uniform:** Children need to be wearing the correct uniform at all times. Jumpers and cardigans can be worn in class, fleeces are for outdoor wear only. We take pride in our school and are very proud of how smart the children look when wearing the correct uniform. Your support in this area is much appreciated.

**PE lessons:** PE lessons in year 5 will take place on a Wednesday and Friday. It is essential that children have their kits in school everyday. PE will be done outside this term and therefore the children will need an outdoor kit; school jumpers are not allowed to be worn. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you are unsure about what your child should wear for PE.

**Water bottle:** Just to make you aware, children should have a water bottle in school especially as the weather gets warmer; this must contain water and not juice. Please ensure that the bottle is labelled clearly.

**Home learning:** Home learning will be given out every Friday and should be returned to school the following Wednesday. It is important that home learning is completed to the best of your child's ability and is handed in on time otherwise a consequence will be given. Home learning club will run on a Tuesday lunchtime for any children who are unable to complete the work at home. Last term, the children were given home learning wallets. We would like to see these in school every week so that the children can put their new piece of home Learning straight into their wallet.

#### Dates for the diary

Pear library trips: 26.04.18, 07.06.18, 05.07.17

Pine library trips: 10.05.18, 14.06.18, 12.07.18

Black Country Museum Trip: 06.06.18 (Letter to be sent out regarding this trip next week)



# Victorian Childhood



## Year 5 Summer Term



Welcome back! The children have settled back into class extremely well this week. We are very much looking forward to the term ahead and working in partnership with you to support your child with their learning. Just a reminder how important it is that your child is in school and on time every day to help them achieve their full potential.

### **Year 5 team**

Miss Walters (Pear Class Teacher and Yr 5/6 Phase Leader)

Miss Macaskill (Pine Class Teacher)

Miss Hamblett (Teaching Assistant)

Mr Brady (Teaching Assistant)

Miss Raphael (Maths Teacher)

Mr Holder (Assistant Head Teacher)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you should have any concerns and we will do our best to answer your queries.

### **Our topic:**

The theme for our Summer term topic is Victorian childhood. We will be focusing on answering the big question: Would you have preferred to be rich or poor in Victorian times? The topic aims to develop the skills of comparing and contrasting rich and poor children during the Victorian era through a historical study. We do hope that you will encourage your child to research this topic at home as this will support them in their lessons.



**English:** Over this term, we are going to be studying the book 'Street Child' by Berlie Doherty. We will be beginning with non-chronological reports and then continuing with a range of writing based on this book.

**Maths:** The children will be covering a range of topics including; number and place value, geometry and data handling. The children will also have a weekly times tables challenge so it is important that they are learning their times tables at home on a regular basis.

**Science:** This term we will be investigating animals including humans and their habitats.

**History:** As part of our topic, we will be looking at: the jobs children in Victorian times had to do, how Victorian schools are different to modern day schools and how the diet of the rich and poor differed.

**PE:** This term in our PE lessons, we will be working on our outdoor PE skills, looking at a range of sports including tennis, cricket and rounder's. As we move into the next half term, we will also be looking at athletics in preparation for sports day.

Pine class will be taking part in forest school during the first half term and Pear will then do it in the last half term of this school year.

**SMSC:** Over this term, we will be looking at Judaism and its beliefs.

**Art:** In art, we will be looking at patterns particularly those inspired by the artist William Morris.

**French:** Our French sessions will focus on parts of a town and the weather.

**Computer science:** The children will be completing a research unit based around the Victorians. They will use their Computing lessons to research a particular aspect of Victorian childhood that interests them before using this knowledge to create an informative video including audio, titles and credits.