Autumn Term How did the Victorians shaped the way we live today? Year 6

Butts Primary School

English

Literacy work will be based on the class texts – **Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone** followed by **Charles Dickens – A Christmas Carol.**

Within Autumn term, the pupils will be writing a character description, a setting description, a newspaper article, a diary entry, a persuasive letter, a narrative, a set of instructions and a non-chronological report. As well as this they will be focusing on key grammatical aspects such as subordinating conjunctions, coordinating conjunctions, prepositions, determiners, adverbials and tense.

Science

Living Things and Their Habitats - Children will build on their learning about grouping living things, by looking at the classification system in more detail.

Healthy Bodies - Children will learn about the main body parts and internal organs (skeletal, muscular and digestive system).

Computing - This half term, children will explore blogs and begin to create their own, commenting on their peers.
Children will also learn about networks: the safety of them and how they connect devices. Additionally, children will explore the benefits of creating common graphs digitally and create their own.

History - Our history focus this half term will explore the Victorian Period through the Grammarsaurus scheme. The children will:

Create questions in which they wish to research with a wide range of resources.
Learn about how people lived and worked in the Victorian period as well as school life and key inventions.
Place the Victorian period chronologically on a British history timeline.
Compare and contrast the Victorian period to now.
Learn about key individuals from the time period such as Queen Victoria herself and inventors.
Discuss how the Victorians have impacted life today.
Explore the local history of Walsall and identify elements from the Victorian Era in their local town.

D&T - Within D&T the pupils will design, make and then evaluate a festive decoration using a range of sewing skills and a variety of materials.

Art - Pupils will use a range of resources to print images in the style of William Morris, a relief printer from the Victorian Era. Children will develop skills by using two overlays.

Geography
The pupils will be focusing on being able to use maps to locate countries especially those within Europe.

Additionally, they will explore the similarities and differences between these countries in terms of human and physical geography.

French - Across the term we will be learning:

What is life like for a French child?
French Maths
My community
Colours
Celebrations & holidays

Music

In music this term, Year 6 will be acquiring a range of new skills, including: developing accuracy in pitch; recognising vocals and instruments in piece of music; sing in unison and in a Gospel style; understand techniques for creating a song.

Enrichment

Roald Dahl Day

Black Country Museum Visit

Forest School

National Space Week

Purple Mash computing workshop

SATs workshop

Community Concepts

Victorian community values

Lack of equality (education, poverty, women's rights)

Inclusion & equality/ equity community

P.E

Children will be attending weekly swimming sessions, building on their skills from previous year groups. Children will be taught a range of strokes and various different 'life-saving' swimming skills, including breathing underwater and treading water.

R.E/ PSHE/RSE

VIP – the importance of kindness & respect in relationships

Exploring key leaders (Sikhism and Hinduism)