

The Year 6 theme until half term is

'Please Sir!'

This covers many areas of the curriculum as shown:

English - During English lessons, class reader time and guided reading sessions, we will be reading stories, information books and watching video clips about the Victorian era. Each class has borrowed a box of books from the Library so that we can dip into them whenever we wish!

These materials will also be used to aid us write a classic fiction piece based on the famous story of *Oliver Twist* by Charles Dickens, produce a diary extract about life in a Workhouse and also create an emotive colour poem.

Mathematics - We will be having daily 'I Can Do Maths' sessions, as well as weekly Two Minute Mental Maths Challenges.

Our Maths this half term will cover: reading, writing, comparing, ordering and rounding numbers to 10,000,000, adding and subtracting values using the column method, calculating the perimeter of rectilinear shapes, comparing and classifying 2D and 3D shapes, calculating angles and position & direction.



History - As part of our Victorian topic, we will be focusing on children and what life was like for them during this era. Therefore we will look at: the poor, schooling, toys, daily life and Thomas Barnardo.

Year 6 will also be experiencing what a day in Domestic Service would feel like with a trip to Cannon Hall. During this day, pupils will need to dress as Victorian servants. While school will provide costumes any contributions would be appreciated.

Art - We will be learning how to create Victorian Skylines. During this work we will evaluate various artists' work, learn to mix paint colours, paint using different techniques and how to use ink effectively. We will also gain an understanding of how to create an effect using silhouettes.

Computing - Our focus this half term will be to learn how to create a Podcast. This will be linked to our Victorian and English work by podcasting a Victorian child's diary.

RE - Our focus is to learn about religion and how it links to charity, generosity and architecture.

French - We will be learning through oral and written sessions the French vocabulary for festivals.

Music - We will be studying rock music, particularly the 1980s bands Bon Jovi and Journey.

After lunch on a Wednesday Year 6 pupils will be involved in an afternoon of activities designed to enrich the curriculum. Each class will take turns participating in all activities over the course of the year, these will include professional sports coaching, art P.E. and Life skills.