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Year 5's Learning News

HAPPY NEW YEAR and welcome back to school! We have a very busy and exciting half term lined up with swimming, trips and a Shakespeare visitor. Straight away, we will be diving into our Victorian topic to learn about how they lived and the technologies they created. Through science, history and English we will gain a greater understanding of this time period and be able to answer our latest alien questions; *'What technology do you have?'* and *'How do you provide for your younglings?'*

Don't forget to follow our exciting learning journey on twitter @bps_Y5

Upcoming Events

Swimming will take place each Friday 12th Jan - 23rd March

- Thursday 18th January - 9:10am - Maths - Parent Learning Session
- Tuesday 23rd January - Colmers A to SafeWise
- Wednesday 24th January - Colmers B to SafeWise
- **HALF TERM**
Mon 12th February - Fri 16th February
- Monday 19th February - Fair Trade Fortnight
- Wednesday 28th February 2:40pm - 3:10pm - Spelling Parent Learning Session
- Tuesday 20th March - Parents Evening
- Thursday 22nd March - Parents Evening (Letter to follow)
- Friday 23rd March - Comic Relief
- Thursday 29th March - EASTER HOLIDAYS

What we will be learning...with top learning tips

Reading... Oliver Twist: as part of our Victorians topic we will be undertaking reading and writing inspired by this Charles Dickens novel. We will look at other stories set in the past too. We will use both a film and text based version of the story as the basis for continuing to improve our reading and writing skills.

Eliza says, *'reading everyday helps you to learn new and exciting words that you can magpie for your own writing.'*

Maths... we will be starting the term off by looking at worded problems and which operations we need to use to solve them. We will then move onto looking at measure and converting between metric and imperial units. Every day will practise our key skills in our Early Work Quiz.

William reminds us to, *'always circle the symbol in a calculation to make sure you choose the correct operation.'*

Writing - We will be learning how to write biographies so that we can use our historical knowledge of Queen Victoria to write our own.

GRAMMAR - Throughout our English lessons and across other areas of the curriculum we will continue to learn new grammatical terminology and apply these in our writing. New grammar terminology: modal verbs, parenthesis, relative clause, adverbials of time, place and number, commas.

Mrs Russell says, "On our school website (in curriculum, writing including grammar and punctuation) you will find lots of helpful documents to build and clarify grammar knowledge."

What we will be learning...



History- This term our focus will be on the Victorians. Our main historical learning this term will be around Urchins (the lives of children during this era) and Inventors (the many inventions which were developed during this era and the amazing people who created them), moving onto how the Victorians impacted on our local community next half term.

Science - Our science learning will link with our Victorian topic. The children will be learning about electricity and light. They will carry out a number of different investigations including making periscopes and circuits.

PE - Outdoor PE will be on Monday afternoons and is invasion games this term. Indoor PE, is **swimming on Fridays**. Please make sure your child has the correct PE/swimming kit in school and for outdoor PE, that their trainers are still comfortable.

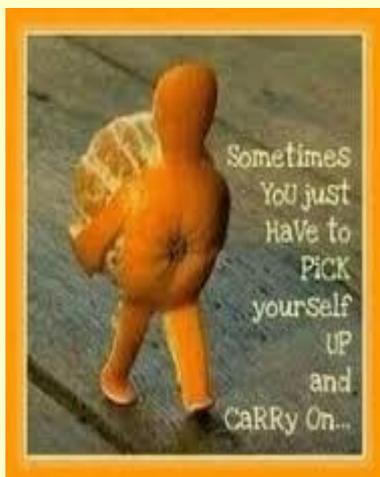
DT - Mrs Russell will be leading the children in designing and then sewing Victorian samplers.

French - We will continue using our new scheme for French (Euro Stars). This half term our focus will be on Games and Songs.

Jigsaw (PSHCE) - We will be continuing to be looking at equality and diversity leading onto our dreams and goals for the future.

Computing - In these sessions, we will develop our understanding of the internet and search engines.

RE - We will be considering what is meant by 'destiny' and look consider what this meant in the Easter Story.



We will be exploring the BPS values of respect, trust and kindness through our exploration of how children were treated during Victorian times, using Oliver Twist as a focus.

6Rs (growth mindset) top tip:

6Rs.... *Responsibility is our 6R of the half term.*

Laura and Callum say, "Take responsibility for your own actions. Make sure you are always inclusive and look after one another."

Home Learning ideas...

There are so many ways you can enhance your learning at home, here are a few suggestions:

- Miss Bowles suggests, "finding out about a famous person that interests you and writing a biography on them."
- Mrs Russell says, "why not use the internet safely to make a fact sheet on the Victorians."
- Mrs Thorner says, "music often helps you to remember things; why not write a song to help you remember your times tables."

Improving pupil voice, supporting pupil choice

School Council News and Views...

Welcome to 2018! As school councilors we are really looking forward to working with our chair of governors, David Powell who is going to attend some of our meetings this year. It will be exciting to share our ideas about how to make Bridport Primary even better.
Summer - Colmers A