

Year 4 Autumn A

Life in Victorian Times.

Literacy

The children will read and learn a short historical story as a class and consider the different parts of the story, including the setting, characters, build up, main event and story ending. The children will then plan and write their own historical stories based in Victorian times.

The children will consider how to write an information text and how to collect the information that they need. They will produce an information text about a famous Victorian and will present this using a power point presentation.

History

The children will learn about Queen Victoria and how the time of the Victorians fits on a time line. They will consider what life was like for rich and poor people living in Cragside House during Victorian times and the different jobs that a Victorian could do. They will find out about how life changed during Victorian times and the people who led these changes for example the introduction of laws relating to schooling.

French

The children will read nursery rhymes in French and use their knowledge of words to help them to decode the text. They will practise using French greetings and counting to 30.

Design Technology

The children will be designing and making their own Victorian rooms related to our work about Cragside House. They will design the room with appropriate furniture and wallpaper. They will use their knowledge of electricity to create a light source for their room.

ICT

The children will learn how to take photographs with a digital camera and will use this skill to support their Art and RE work. They will create power point presentations related to our class work. The children will use the internet to research information about the Victorians.

Music

In Music we will look at playground rhymes and songs and explore the patterns in them. The children will use an existing rhyme and change the words to create their own rhyme.

PE

The children will be taking part in cricket lessons on the field. They will learn how to bowl and how to strike the ball. The children will take part in yoga lessons, learning different movements and considering how it can be used for relaxation.

Art

The children will investigate the work of William Morris. They will create their own stamps and use these to create their own wallpaper designs.

RE

The children will consider how God is portrayed in different stories in the Bible. They will learn about how religion impacted on the lives of the Victorians and will compare this to the lives of Christians today. They will consider how charity can be linked to religion.

Science

The children will learn about electricity. They will make their own circuits and consider how changing the number of bulbs, batteries etc can affect the circuit. The children will design their own tests to help them to find out more about circuits. The children will consider the safe use of electricity. They will use their knowledge of electricity to make a room with a working light in Design Technology. The children will consider how electricity was used in Cragside house.

Special Events

A Victorian Theme Day - date to be confirmed, the children will need a Victorian costume. Please ask us for help if you need it.