

Dear Families,

Welcome back! This half term we will continue with our strong focus on English and maths but as you can see our theme, the Victorians, will take centre stage. Pupils will be exploring the life of a Victorian child with our very own Victorian Day! Arundel pupils have had their final forest schools session. Bamburgh will be starting forest schools in the second week.



Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 20th November - Cinema Trip: Wonder Park.
Monday 25th + Wednesday 27th Nov - Parents' Evenings.
Friday 6th December 2019 - Helping Hands Christmas Fayre.
Wednesday 11th December 2019 - Victorian Day.
Thursday 19th December 2019 - Christmas Dinner Day.
Friday 20th December 2019 - Last Day finish at 1.00pm.
Monday 23rd December 2019 - Development Day.



Many thanks,
Miss Boxell and Miss Hancox

How can you help at home?

Daily reading - Please encourage your children to read at home and note it down in their reading logs. They can read with an adult, brother or sister, friends, family or by themselves.

Time tables - The children have been focusing on rapid recall of their 2, 5 and 10 times tables. This half term we will be starting with our 3s, so please practice these at home, by chanting, counting up or asking your child multiplication and division facts. We want all children to know their x table facts up to 12 so practise is key.

Spellings - Spelling homework is sent home weekly on a Wednesday to be tested the following Wednesday. There is a specific spelling rule each week so children can try to think of other words that fit with that rule too!

Homework - Maths and English homework will alternate every week and will be handed out on Wednesdays and collected in on the following Monday. There will be an optional homework club on Wednesday lunchtimes.

Label Belongings - Please help us by naming your child's uniform, PE kit and belongings. This will ensure things get found if lost!

Uniform - Please ensure your child is wearing the appropriate uniform at school and has their PE Kit in school for everyday.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.



Nine Acres Primary School

Autumn Term 2 2019

Year 3 Team

Mrs Winter



Miss Hancox



Mrs Sibbick



Miss Boxell



Arundel Class



Bamburgh Class

Parent Information Leaflet



'Striving for Excellence'

Year 3 - Autumn Term 2 2019 - What was it like to be a Victorian child?

Key Focus

We will be refining our **Historical** skills this half term, by investigating the life of the Victorians. We will be **analysing** and **interpreting** information from different sources as well as deepening their **enquiry** skills. We will be looking at how different groups of people lived in the Victorian times compared to now.



Key Vocabulary

Please discuss these with your child at home.

Workhouse: a place where people received food and somewhere to live in return for work. Often orphaned children, the disabled and unmarried mothers had no choice but to go here!

The Industrial Revolution: the late 1700s to the early 1800s where manufacturing methods turned from people to machinery and the population grew rapidly.

Malnutrition: having so little food that your body is underfed so it cannot grow properly.

Poverty: being extremely poor. Many people lived in harsh conditions of poverty during the Victorian times.

Wealthy: being very rich.

Mining: the process of getting coal, or other materials from underground. The Victorians used to have young children working in the mines!

Child Labour: where children are forced to work in order to have enough to feed and home themselves.

Curriculum Links

To deepen our understanding of the Victorians, we will be reading 'Fair's Fair' by Leon Garfield. This book is based on a homeless, orphaned, Victorian boy. In English lessons we will explore the experience of this particular child.

Throughout our theme lessons, we will go on to learn about Valentine Gray, the chimney sweep from the Isle of Wight whose untimely death helped lead to legislative change for the Victorians. We will then have the opportunity to consider the impact of homelessness today, how people may become homeless and what we can do to help.

