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Monday 20th October 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

During Term 3, children in Year 5 will be studying an aspect of British History that extends pupil's chronological knowledge beyond 1066 and we have chosen the Victorians. The focus will be on the historical theme of empire. In order to enrich our curriculum, we will be visiting Sevington Victorian School near Grittleton in Wiltshire. Sevington Victorian School is an authentic village schoolroom, opened in 1849, closed in 1913 and still almost unchanged, with some of the original desks, slates, coal fires and oil lamps. The children will get the chance to have a first-hand experience of Victorian education, in costume and in role. The day is run by 'Miss Elisabeth Squire', the Sevington schoolmistress and her sister 'Miss Hannah Squire'.

Due to the size of the Victorian school, the children will be visiting one class at a time. Monday 19th January – Robins Class Tuesday 20th January – Golden Eagles Class Wednesday 21st January - Starlings Class

The cost of the trip will be £25.56 which covers the coach travel to Sevington Victorian School as well as a full day's real-life experience to experience school life during the Victorian times. As always, this is only chargeable on a voluntary basis, your support is appreciated. However, you will appreciate that such activities cannot take place unless we cover our costs. If a situation occurs where not enough contributions are received and a trip needs to be cancelled parents will be contacted to advise of this prior to the trip date and full refunds made to those that had contributed. Payment for the trip can only be made online via https://www.parentpay.com/. Monies should be paid Friday 19th December 2025. If you experience any difficulties logging on or making payment, please contact the school office for support.

Children will be required to dress up in a traditional Victorian costume for the trip. Please see the attached instructions on what the children will require to have on the day.

The children will leave on the coach at 9:15am. The children will arrive back to school in time for normal collection.

Please can you complete the short online form below to give permission for your child to attend this trip and to confirm if you will/will not be making the voluntary payment of £25.56

https://forms.office.com/e/ESpMaH7PiY

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely, Year 5 Team

