Visionary Victorians

Year 3/4
Autumn Term 2
2026



English:
In English, children will be exploring the text 'Winters Child'. They will write a character description using noun phrases expanded with an adverb, conjunctions and commas in a list. Later in the term, they will look at writing a persuasive letter using paragraphs and subordinating conjunctions.

Science:
In Science, children will be learning about light. They will do lots of practical experiments exploring light and shadow. They will learn about the terms opaque, translucent and transparent.

Art:
In Art this term, children will learn about the designer William Morris and how he made his patterns. They will also have a go at making a repeating pattern using a printing block.

PE:
In indoor PE, the children will be developing their fitness skills. This will include children developing their co-ordination, strength and speed. In outdoor PE, the children will be developing their ball skills. They will look at how to throw and catch successfully. They will also develop their ball dribbling techniques.

Languages:
For French this term, children will be learning how to say the different colours in French. They will also learn more about the French artist, Matisse.

RE:
This term, the children will be exploring the question, 'Has Christmas lost its true meaning?' The children will be learning to find out what the true meaning of Christmas is to Christians and compare this with what Christmas means to them.

PSHE:
In PSHE this term, the children will be able to understand differences in families and appreciate conflicts within families. In addition, they will also understand learn more about what bullying is and what it is like to witness possible bullying incidents.

History:
Children will learn about Victorians. They will look at key events and people from Victorian times. They will also learn about what life was like in Victorian times, including what school was like. They will do this by having a Victorian experience day.

Maths:
In Maths, children will learn how to use mental methods for subtraction. They will also practice their 3, 4 and 8 times tables. Finally, children will do some work on shape and the properties of both 2D and 3D shape.

Computing:
In Computing this term, children will use a range of techniques to create a stop-frame animation using iPads. They will apply those skills to create a story-based animation. This will conclude with the children adding other types of media to their animation, such as music and text.