

West Bridgford Junior School
 Year 5 Autumn Term 1 2025 - 26
 Medium Term Plan



Topic: The Victorians: Golden Age or Dark Age?

	Week 1 1.9.25 (INSET)	Week 2 8.9.25	Week 3 15.9.25 Identity day	Week 4 22.9.25	Week 5 29.9.25	Week 6 6.10.25	Week 7 13.10.25
English	All about me Kennings Get lost in a book posters Non-fiction reading task (VIPERS)	Introduce Street Child (chapters 1-3) - Make predictions - Summarise the opening - Explore characters' perspectives Inference Grammar – simple, compound and complex sentences	Street Child (chapters 4– 7) Workhouse based descriptive writing: - Expanded noun phrases - Acrostic poem Retrieval/vocabulary Revise Year 4 sentences	Street Child (chapters 8 – 11) Describe settings and build atmosphere -the workhouse - Fronted adverbials Inference	Street Child (chapters 12 - 14) Exploring characters: - Retrieve information about a character - Character fact-file - Create own character - Relative clauses in a character description Ordering events	Long writing task – write a chapter where Jim meets a character: - Atmosphere and setting description - Noticing the character (description) - Dialogue between characters Retrieval/inference	Long writing task – write a chapter where Jim meets a character: -Edit, improve and publish Playscripts Read scripts and auditions for production
Maths	Roman numerals Place value introduction	Place value Read and write numbers up to 1,000, 000	Order and compare numbers up to 1,000,000 Round to the nearest 10, 100, 1000	Read, write, order and compare numbers up to 3 decimal places	Recap on rounding to 10, 100, 1000 and round decimals to the nearest whole and 1d.p.	Add and subtract whole numbers with more than 4 digits.	Add and subtract whole numbers – inverse, rounding, estimating and problem solving
Computing			WALT explore and identify different methods of communication. WAL about the risks and benefits of various methods of communication	WALT understand the concept of personal and private information	WALT understand the concept of safety in real life and online life	WAL about the validity of online content and to make sensible judgements about whether to trust it	WAL about the differences and similarities between cyber bullying and traditional bullying

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History	Famous Victorians – present holiday homework	Introduce question: Golden Age or Dark Age? When was the Victorian period and how does it fit in with other periods of history I know? What was the industrial revolution and how did it change Britain?	What were workhouses and why did people go to them?	How were the lives of rich and poor Victorians different? How were children used in the Victorian workforce?	What did the Victorians invent and how have their inventions impacted our lives today?	What was the British Empire and were the impacts positive or negative? Conclusion: Golden age or dark age?	What were the similarities and differences between the lives of Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole?
Art	Christmas Cards	Drawing Sketches of Queen Victoria Choose a style of drawing suitable for the work (realistic) Use shading to show light and shadow		Artist Study Give details about the style of notable artists (Morris, Rousseau, Constable, Cassatt, Van Gogh)	Artist Study and Journal Work Collect information and ideas as a starting point for work. Plan own wallpaper print in sketchbooks	Select final design idea – copy onto paper ready for lino block	Artist Study Study of a black artist (Alma Thomas) Show how the work of those studied was influential in both society and to other artists
RE		What can we learn from inspiring Victorians and their beliefs (Lord Shaftsbury)	What can we learn from inspiring Victorians and their beliefs (Malala Yousafsai)			What can we learn from inspiring people and their beliefs (Gandhi)	What can we learn from inspiring black people and their beliefs (Harriet Tubman)
PE	Basketball - dribbling Paceball – review rules, strategies and skills	Basketball – skilful passing Paceball – passing and receiving while moving	Basketball – footwork and pivoting Paceball – accurate shooting	Basketball – keeping possession Paceball – moving, marking and defending	Basketball – smart marking Paceball – to apply skills in matches	Basketball – game play Paceball – to apply skills in matches	Basketball – game play Paceball – to apply skills in matches

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Music		What Shall We Do With Drunken Sailor? WALT keep a steady beat and sing expressively		What Shall We Do With Drunken Sailor? WALT add rhythms to a performance		What Shall We Do With Drunken Sailor? WALT use our bodies and drums as percussion	
French	Language Angels What is the date? Days	Language Angels What is the date? Months	Language Angels What is the date? Numbers up to 31	Language Angels What is the date? When is your birthday?	Language Angels What is the date? Recap and revise	Language Angels What is the date? Recap and revise	
PSHE	School rules and expectations Effective Communication Collaboration and teamwork.	Effective Communication Listening is an important aspect of communication.		Online relationships and face-to-face relationships		Black History Month understand the benefits of living in a diverse community (diversity) Resilience and courage	