



YEAR 1 CURRICULUM INFORMATION



English

This term we will be: focussing on creating a diary entry to recount a Victorian child's everyday life. We will be using adverbs of time to order the events of the day, and ensuring it is written in the past tense correctly. We will also get the opportunity to write some historical fiction based on the classic story by Hans Christian Anderson, *The Little Match Girl*. Through adjectives and story language, we will create engaging and entertaining narratives to explore the life of a poor Victorian child.

Grammar: The year 1 skills we will be learning include using:

- capital letters, full stops and finger spaces consistently.
- question marks and exclamation marks when appropriate.
- using the conjunctions /and/ or /because/ to join two ideas
- ensuring that our cursive letters are correctly formed and clear to read.
- Using the suffix /ed/ to indicate that something has happened in the past.

Spelling: It is expected that Year One children should be able to read and spell all of the Unit 1–6 words uploaded recently to

Maths

This term we will be learning to:

- Continue to practice counting to 100.
- Develop fluency in counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.
- Recall odd and even numbers to 20
- Multiply and divide using practical resources such as cubes, Numicon, number lines and arrays.
- Solve word problems involving multiplication and division.
- Estimate the position of numbers on number lines.
- Recall the names and properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

Topic Overview

This half-term children will be exploring the fascinating Victorians. We will place the Victorian time period on a time line and learn why we call them the Victorians. We will learn how to use historical sources to answer questions. We will learn what it was like to be a Victorian child, particularly a poor Victorian child. We will learn about the Factory Act of 1833 and why this was significant to the lives of children at the time working in factories and mills.

Our topic is:

Some brilliant books to read:

- *The Little Match girl*
- *Jim: A cautionary Tale*
- *Oliver Twist; adapted by Gill Tavner*
- *100 facts on Victorian Britain*
- *You wouldn't want to be a Victorian Mill Worker*



Important Dates

Wednesday 26th May—Phase 1 film night

Friday 28th May—Key Stage 1 sports morning

Friday 28th May—Last day of half term

Useful Websites

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/stories>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/words-and-spelling>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>

<https://www.phonicsbloom.com/> [phases 3-5]

Additional Information

Please ensure your child has a pair of named plimsolls in a bag to keep on their peg. This is so that we can do our PE sessions inside if it rains.

Please can we also ask that children only wear shoes and trainers with laces if they are able to tie these independently.

As we get towards summer please make sure your child has a sun hat each day.

All children are expected to have a Hillcross school water bottle.

Where can I find out more?

Please check Google Classroom each week for additional information about what we are covering in our reading, phonics, writing and maths session. Further information about the curriculum can be found on the school website.

