

Year 5

Autumn 1 – Victorian London 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our topic this term is: **Victorian London**. This term we are learning about the lives of people living during the Victorian Ages in London. We will be comparing our modern lives to those of Victorian children who walked on the same streets as we do now.

Literacy 	Historical Fiction and Persuasive writing (Oliver Twist)
Speaking and listening 	Expressing views and opinions, giving and justifying reasons
Numeracy 	Place Value and Problem solving
Science 	Properties/changes of materials: Properties of familiar materials based on tests – linked to uses
ICT-Computers 	E-safety – staying safe online
PE and Sport	Swimming
Art and DT 	Draw/Paint: sketches of local Victorian buildings
Religious Education 	Why do some people believe that God exists?
Music 	Learning how to play a stringed instrument (cello / violin)
PSHE 	Being Me In My World.

Class Assembly Days: Y5 Emerald - 1.10.26 Y5 Jade - 15.10.26	Trips this term: TBC
Reminders Swimming: Wednesday PE days: Thursdays PE kits must be worn for PE lessons every Thursday. It is essential that your child brings in a change of clothes and trainers. PE kits to be washed along with their swimming costume and towels every week. Jewellery: Children must not wear any jewellery on the days when P.E takes place. On other days the only jewellery permitted is a single stud in each ear for girls. 	Homework Children are expected to read every day and complete their reading logs daily. Reading logs and spelling homework are due every Wednesday. Please try to support your child with their learning at home, as homework is given to reinforce the work your child is doing at school. Project homework suggestions can be found in their project books. You can support your child's learning by taking every opportunity to practise their number bonds and times tables, for example when walking home or in the supermarket. Please refer to maths home learning sheet for more ideas. 