

In Spring 1 our learning curriculum in Year 1 and 2 has focused on the big question:

What was life like for a Victorian child in Whittington?

This has been divided into these weekly sessions:

WOW Teachers dress-up as Victorians

Week 1 When were the Victorian times?

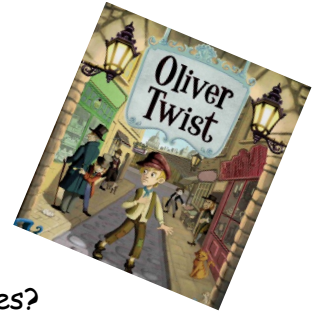
Week 2 What were Victorian schools like?

Week 3 What were Victorian toys like?

Week 4 What were Victorian homes like?

Week 5 William Morris Art Week

Week 6 What was Whittington like in the Victorian times?



This half term we have focused on life for children in the Victorian times. The children learnt about some key events that happened during the reign of Queen Victoria and placed them on a timeline.

They learnt about Queen Victoria's family and how she is related to Queen Elizabeth II. The Year 1/2 teachers dressed up in typical Victorian clothing much to the surprise of the children and other members of staff! We went on to learn about Victorian schooling and the children were shocked to see how strict it was. We think they definitely prefer today's Good to be Green system! The following week, we looked at Victorian toys and the children made their own thaumatropes and cup and balls. We then looked at the jobs that the children would have done if they lived in the Victorian times, such as chimney-sweeping and coal-mining. We had a focus week on the artist William Morris and the children enjoyed creating a layered print in his style. Finally, the children learnt about what Whittington was like 150 years ago and they were shocked to find out that it used to have a race-course and that the school was in a different place to where it is now.

Next half term we be focusing on Geography and learning all about the countries that make up the UK and the continents and oceans of the world.

'Where in the world...?'

WOW Watch David Attenborough 'Seven Worlds, One Planet' trailer

Week 1 Where do we live?

Week 2 Who has the most countries, Europe or Africa?

Week 3 Where does South America start?

Week 4 Which are the biggest and smallest continents?

Week 5 Where is the coldest place on Earth?

Week 6 DT week- famous landmarks from around the world