

Welcome to Year 5!



What will my child be learning?

In Autumn term, our topic is The Victorians. Year 5 will be learning all about the reign of Queen Victoria and the British Empire.

Home learning mats can be found in the home learning diary and are added to the class page on the school website each half term, linking to the new topic.

Each year group also have Golden Opportunities which they will tick off as the year progresses. These can also be found in the home learning diaries alongside our Beechwood Golden Opportunities which children will tick off by the end of their time at Beechwood.

Year 5 Golden Opportunities



Golden Opportunities



YEAR 5

We will have the opportunity to:

 learn to dance with the Northern Ballet company	 appreciate the playing of a live pianist	 take part in a debate	 create a clay tile	 understand seasonal produce and create a dish	 make a parachute
 write a thank you card or letter	 visit Leeds Industrial Museum	 watch a live performance in a theatre	 read a classic novel	 use electrical circuits to create an alarm	 stay in our capital city
 wave to the King in Buckingham Palace	 see where the Prime Minister works and lives	 visit a restaurant	 learn to ride a bike	 experience life as an evacuee child	 meditate outside
 write and run a computer code	 participate in Trust Schools sports tournaments	 participate in a workshop with The National Archives	 learn about enterprise by organising our own fundraising	 make a link with an international school	 write to a pen pal
 name all the planets	 dissect a flower	 learn about changes in the body	 do the capital city challenge	 learn basic first aid	 take part in a drumming ensemble

Beechwood Golden Opportunities



Golden Opportunities



Before you leave Beechwood you will have the opportunity to:

 make something to sell	 learn about the library reading challenges	 learn about Remembrance Day	 raise money for charity	 take part in an assembly	 learn and perform different poems
 learn to be resilient, calm, confident, creative and wise through My Mental Health Rocks	 meet an author	 set up your own art exhibition	 become a Beechwood playground leader	 become an eco-warrior	 stand for school council
 choose different after-school clubs	 experience Beechwood Bakeoff	 observe Black History Month	 learn about Diwali	 find out about Hanukkah	 learn about Christmas
 celebrate Chinese New Year	 take part in International Women's Day	 find out about Eid	 learn about Pride	 observe Refugee Day	 take part in Afro Hair Day
 be part of Spirit Alive!	 Perform on a stage	 Learn PE skills with a professional sports coach	 Help to look after our school gardens	 Experience learning in the amphitheatre	 Consider what we might like to do in the future

How can I support my child at home?

Spellings are sent home every Monday and children should practise these each night. They should bring completed spellings back on Friday for their spelling test.

Maths homework will be set weekly on a Thursday and is due back the following Thursday.

Children are asked to read at least 3 times a week and this should be recorded in their home learning diaries.

Please continue to practise times tables with your child- up to 12×12 , both multiplication and division facts.

Children can access TT Rock Stars and Bug Club from home.

Year 5 home learning grid

Topic Vocabulary

Primary source: An artefact or source of information that was created at the time.

Secondary source: Information about a period of history that does not come from that time.

Industry: A group of companies that all produce the same thing.

Workhouse: A public institution in which people living in poverty received food and shelter in return for work.

Working class: Unskilled labourers who worked in brutal and unsanitary conditions.

Middle class: A group that included everyone between the working and upper class including factory owners and wealthy bankers.

Upper class: Aristocrats, Nobles, Dukes, other wealthy families working in the Victorian courts.

Social inequality: when resources e.g. healthcare are not shared fairly between people.

Poverty: The state of being very poor.

Social reform: An attempt to make society more equal.

Useful Weblinks

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/general-history/victorian-facts/>

<https://www.mylearning.org/stories/victorian-leeds/1093>

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/victorians/industrialrevolution.html>

https://school-learningzone.co.uk/key_stage_two/ks2_history/british_history/the_victorians/the_victorians.html

Autumn Term History Learning Grid for Year 5

The Victorians



Key dates

1838: Queen Victoria crowned aged 18.

1840: Queen Victoria married Prince Albert.

1844: Children aged 8-13 can no longer work for more than 6.5 hours per day.

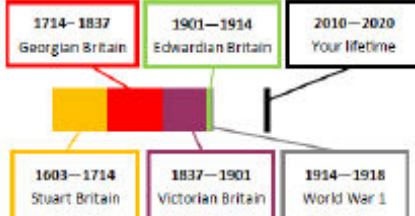
1861: Prince Albert dies of typhoid.

1864: Children under 10 can no longer work as chimney sweeps.

1870: Schools are built for children aged 5-10.

1880: The Education Act makes schooling compulsory for all children aged 5-10.

1901: Queen Victoria dies.



Facts to learn

The Victorian Era was the period of time between 1837 to 1901. This was when Queen Victoria reigned over Britain. During her 63 year reign, there was a huge contrast between how the rich and poor Victorians lived. Queen Victoria led the expansion of the British empire and saw major changes to all aspects of Britain due to new discoveries and inventions.

Home Learning Challenge Ideas - These are just suggestions because there is so much you could choose to find out about and do ☺

- Can you make a Victorian doll?
- Can you research a famous Victorian figure and create a fact file?
- Can you draw a map of Victorian Leeds?
- Can you write a diary entry as a Victorian child?
- Can you play Victorian games at home? Can you make any Victorian games?

We would love to see any of your own topic work that you choose to do at home so you might do something completely different. We are looking forward to sharing it together and displaying it on the Beechwood Website.

Who can I speak to?

Your child's teacher and teaching assistant will be available to speak to quickly on the playground in the morning and afternoon.

For any bigger queries or conversations, please speak to our office team and they can arrange a meeting or a phone call with your child's class teacher.

A member of our SLT will be available each morning on the school grounds.

Where can I find out about events in school?

Important dates will be sent out via the school newsletter.

Class pages are updated regularly on the school website showing photos and updates of what your children have been learning about in school. We also have an Awards page to celebrate certificate winners each week.

Texts are sent home via my school app so please make sure you are signed up to this.



What happens before and after school?

All children will wait on the playground accompanied by an adult (unless walking to school alone).

We ask that no ball games are played before or after school and children must not play on the adventure trail or climb on the walls, ensuring safety of pupils and adults.

Class teachers will come out to collect their class at 8:45am and children will line up.

At home time, classes will be brought out via the year 5/6 door and teachers will allow them to leave when they see a parent/carer (unless walking home alone).

What do I need to do if I would like my child to walk home from school without an adult?

If you would like to provide permission for your child to walk home alone, please speak to our office team who will provide you with a form to sign.

Can my child cycle to school?

We encourage children to cycle and have areas where they can store their bikes however advise that children provide locks for their bikes. Bikes are stored at your own risk.

Bikes are not allowed to be ridden on school grounds.

What do I do if my child is being collected by someone else?

Please contact the office to inform us if someone other than a parent or carer is collecting your child that day. We are not allowed to let children leave without permission.

What can my child bring to school?

Children are asked to bring a water bottle into school each day. We ask that these contain water (no sugary drinks are allowed).

Children should bring their home learning diary to school each day- please record any home learning and reading completed at home in these. Teachers will check these weekly.

If your child walks to and from school they are allowed to bring a mobile phone but it must be handed to their class teacher during registration and this will be locked away safely in our school office until home time.

School visits!

School visits have been carefully planned to complement our school curriculum.

*In year 5 we visit-
Leeds Industrial Museum, The Grand Theatre (ballet), Lotherton Hall,
Fives,
Herd Farm on residential (May)*

More information will follow and you can pay this via parent pay. Please see the office team if you need any support with this.

We also have visits and workshops from-

Other opportunities

Steel pans

School Council

Eco club

After school clubs

Place to talk

My mental health rocks

Artis

Sports Coaches (LU'FC, G'T Sports, Premier Sports)

Attendance

In order for your child to enjoy all that is on offer at Beechwood and to ensure that they make the excellent progress that we know they can, it is important that they are in school each day on time. We have many exciting attendance rewards.

Just a couple from last year were:

Silent Disco

Beechwood Cinema

*Have a look through some books from our
previous Year 5 children to see all your children
will be learning and achieving this year.
Feel free to ask any questions. Thank you for
coming and helping us to support your child with
their journey in Year 5 😊*