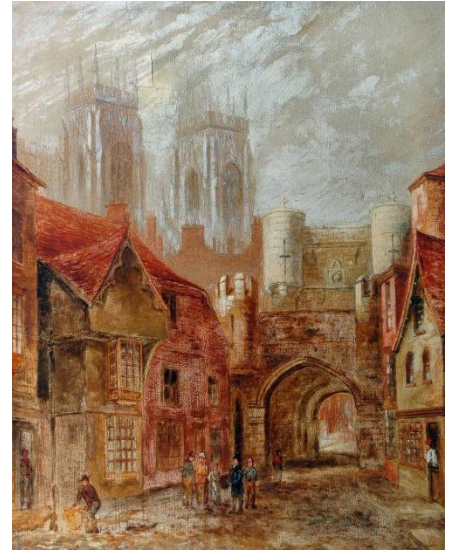


Year 5 Summer Newsletter: A Victorian Venture



As part of our whole school Big Idea – Through the ages – Year 5 will be learning all about the Victorian era, focusing particularly on York during that period. We will undertake lots of enquiry based activities to learn about what daily life was like for the rich and poor in the Victorian times. We will study some of the great changes that occurred during this historical period, focusing on the Industrial Revolution and The Coming of the Railways. We will then use our acquired knowledge to consider whether the Victorian era in York was a dark age or golden one.

Topic Launch – Non-Fiction Week

To launch our topic we will be celebrating everything to do with the world of non-fiction books!

We will be exploring a range of texts based around our Victorian focus, enjoying a variety of follow up activities and spending some time immersing ourselves in the non-fiction offerings of our very own Bookend Cottage.

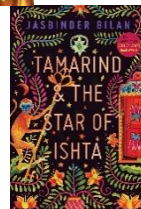
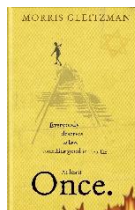
Science

In science we will learn about Elizabeth Blackwell, who was the first female to qualify as a doctor in America.



Through science and our PSHE scheme of work we will also be learning about the changes that happen as humans develop to old age.

Class Novels



History

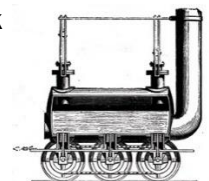
In History, we will learn who the Victorians were and the period of history they occupied. We will explore what daily life was like for people living in Victorian Britain, particularly York, comparing the lives of the rich and poor in the countryside and cities.

Following this we will focus on the daily lives of children and the hardships they suffered.

We will also learn about the Industrial Revolution and the coming of the railways to York considering the benefits and disadvantages of this.

We will learn about the views of the Rowntree family who opened factories in York and what they provided for their workers.

After considering this we will decide whether the Victorian era in York was a dark age or golden one.



RE

In RE this half term we will be exploring the wider world and considering how and why different religious communities should do more to care for the Earth.

PE

PE will take place on Monday and Friday afternoons. Year 5 will be doing athletics and outdoor games in the Summer Term.

French

In French we will be learning about 'Clothes'.

Art

In Art we will be creating set designs using a range of skills. These will be based on the Victorian settings of Oliver!