

# Year 2 Learning Log – Autumn 1

The grid below shows activities for Y2's topic of "The Victorians".

Please upload your child's learning log homework to ClassDojo

by Friday 9th October.

#### The key skills children will be developing:

Research: Finding out a range of information from the internet and other sources.

Literacy: Writing stories, poems and information texts; reading a range of different texts.

Mathematics: Fractions of an amount and shape, telling the time to the nearest 5 minutes and measurement.

Science: Exploring the suitability of different materials.

Creative: Developing and exploring a wide range of art and design techniques to represent their own world and experiences.

## Design and Make

- Design and create a model of a famous structure used by Queen Victoria using your recycling at home. E.g. Windsor Castle or Buckingham Palace
- Design and create a model of one of the great inventions of the Victorian age using your recycling at home.. E.g. the railway, motor cars, suspension bridges or light bulbs.
- Design a new train station for Slough. What will it look like? Label your design.

### Fun Maths

- Follow a recipe with an adult. Measure the ingredients to make a snack that you think would be suitable to serve at dinner with Queen Victoria.
- Play dominoes with someone at home and match the numbers. If you don't have a set, use the internet to make your own using paper or card.
- Create a train using a range of 2D and 3D shapes. Can you describe the features of the 3D shapes?

# Creative Writing

- Write a list of ten rules for the Queen of England to follow to make her a good Queen to her people.
- Make an information book about famous people (or choose one famous person) during the Victorian era. Can you think of a WOW fact to share with the class?
- Write a poem about a Victorian child and the toys they had to play with. Draw a picture with your poem.

#### Wider World

- Design a healthy menu fit for a King or Queen at a banquet. Have you included foods from every food group?
- Use the internet to explore some of Windsor Castle virtually. <a href="https://www.royal.uk/virtual-tours-windsor-castle">https://www.royal.uk/virtual-tours-windsor-castle</a>
  Don't forget to look up at the ceilings!
- Use the internet to explore some of Buckingham Palace virtually. https://www.royal.uk/virtual-tours-buckinghampalace
- Visit a local library e.g. The Curve to find out more information about The Victorians. Create a fact file for your teacher.

### Research

- Create a poster about Windsor Castle including 5 interesting facts.
- Research a famous engineer from the U.K such as Isambard Kingdom Brunel. Draw a picture of their creations. Can you share an interesting fact about them?
- Research what life was like for children during the Victorian era. What interesting facts can you find out? Use books or the internet to help you.

#### Be a Scientist

- Queen Victoria loved animals and over the years she had many pets. Can you make a table to show the differences between a real animal and a toy animal?
- During the Victorian era, there was lots of interest in gardening and having unusual plants. Can you use the internet and books to help identify some of the plants and trees in your garden or local park?
- Most Victorian children had toys made from wood, china, metal or fabric. Have a look at your toys. Can you work out what materials they are made of? Are they the same?