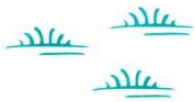


Gorrington Park Primary School



Dear Families,

The best learning takes place when the context is meaningful and made real to the child's own life. We hope that by sharing our aims, you and your family will support your child's learning in any way you can.

If you have any skill, resources or knowledge that you can contribute and share with us at school, please see your child's class teacher.

MATHS

In Maths this half term, we will be learning how to convert different metric units of measure, understanding how to multiply/divide by 10, 100 and 1,000 to create decimals. We will also be learning about fractions and understanding how fractions, decimals and percentages are related. The children will need to apply their multiplication knowledge, so keep practising at home!

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ENGLISH

In English we will be reading *The Three Little Pigs* *Guardian Advert* and *The Unforgotten Coat* by Frank Cottrell Boyce. We will be writing diary entries; narratives from a particular point of view in the style of a journal; to explore journalistic writing by identifying viewpoint and bias; non-chronological reports following on from research. We will also discuss and debate a defence case for a lawyer using our active

RE

This half term, we will be learning about Diwali and its importance to Hindus. We will be learning about the meaning of the festival and its importance.

Revolution!

PSHE

This half term, we will be learning about the skills needed for us to live in the wider world. We will be learning why diversity is valuable and understanding how to challenge stereotypes.

COMPUTING

This half-term we will identify what makes a successful advert, before learning how to create our own advert working through the different stages, from making a storyboard through to shooting and editing our own footage.

SCIENCE

Our focus for Science this term is "Electricity". We will understand how to create simple circuits, identify what happens to different components when we add more batteries and understand the role of a switch. We will also be learning how to use symbols to draw circuits.

History

We will be learning all about the significance of the Victorian Era, including the importance of the industrial revolution and key inventions from the era, that have shaped our world.

DT

We will be making our own fairy lights and linking it to electricity.

Revolution!

Are you listening? What is 27 plus 45? Come on, faster now. We haven't got all day. Find out about super strict schools by travelling back in time to a Victorian classroom. Make sure that you're on your best behaviour though, as punishments are unquestionably terrible.

Discover a time when great minds thought new thoughts and ingenious inventors created so many things that we take for granted today: the electric light bulb, the telephone and the first flushing toilet. Let's forge ahead to research a time when Victoria was Queen and Albert was Prince Consort, and when some people lived in slums while others prospered. Take on the role of an important reformer and present your good causes to the Queen.

Can you gain the support of a wealthy sponsor? Full steam ahead to the Victorian age.

How you can help at home

Make some simple Victorian recipes, such as Apple Charlotte, Banbury cakes and custard patties. Create a recipe book using photos of your creations.

Write a newspaper article about the London matchgirls' strike of 1888. Find out about the gruesome side effects of phosphorous on the health of the girls in the factory. Create campaign posters to help advertise the strike.

Find out about significant women of the Victorian era, such as Mary Seacole, Florence Nightingale, Elizabeth Garrett Anderson (the first English woman to qualify as a doctor), Charlotte Brontë, George Eliot (whose real name was Mary Ann Evans) and Mrs Beeton.