



# Year 2 News

## Federation of Grove House and King's Park Infant Schools



Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely half term break and are ready to start the lead up to Christmas.

Our topic question this half term is 'I wonder what life was like as a Victorian child?' and if you look on the back of this letter, you can find out what your child will be learning.

Please come and ask us if you have any questions!



Mr Wiseman 😊



### I wonder what life was like as a Victorian child?

This half term we will be learning all about Victorians. We will be looking at what life was like as a child growing up during Victorian times. We will also be learning about different celebrations that happen around this time of year such as Guy Fawkes night and Christmas.

### Reminders

Please bring reading book packs every day. Make sure your child reads our lovely reading books regularly at home.

Year 2 have PE on a **Wednesday** and **Friday** afternoon. Please remember to bring a PE kit to school Wednesdays and Fridays which includes, shorts, t-shirt, trainers, jogging bottoms.

### Class Dojo Update!

Thank You to everyone who has been using Class Dojo since September! Please use Class Dojo to keep track of how your child is doing in school, to access tasks and portfolios and to keep track of our Class Story. Just a reminder, there will be **no** messaging on Class Dojo this year. All messages must go through the school office - [office@ghn.unity-ed.uk](mailto:office@ghn.unity-ed.uk) - or you can speak to Mr Wiseman on the door at drop off and pick up times.

Thank You



There is so much going on this half term!  
Please keep checking the school newsletter for events and dates.



### Reminders.....

Library day is a **Tuesday**.

## English

In English, we will continue to work on writing in full sentences remembering to include a capital letter, finger spaces, use our Fred fingers to sound out words and full stops. We will also start to use more adjectives in our writing when describing characters or settings. We will be writing many stories this half term, retelling famous stories, and creating our own. We shall also be writing instructions and fact files about famous Victorian figures.



## Maths

In maths we will be continuing to solve addition and subtraction problems using Numicon, Base 10 and number lines. We will also be looking at identifying and describing 2D and 3D shapes. We will be naming shapes such as square, oblong, triangle, rectangle, sphere, and cubes. We will then describe them based on the number of sides, vertices, edges or faces they have.



## Design & Technology

We will be following Victorian recipes to make biscuits and creating our own inventions.

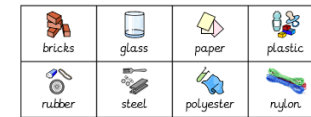
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## Science

In science we will be looking at materials. We will be looking at different materials and their properties. We will also be comparing materials and assessing which materials are best for which job. We will also be completing an experiment to find out which materials is the most waterproof.



## History and Geography

We will be looking at the story of Guy Fawkes and why we celebrate on the 5<sup>th</sup> November. We will also be learning about life during Victorian times, what life was like in a Victorian school and how different London looked then compared to now.



## PE

We will be focusing on multiskills and using different equipment to improve these skills. These skills include: Kicking, throwing, running and jumping.



## RE

We will be focusing on Christianity and mainly looking at the celebration of Christmas and why Christians celebrate the holiday.

## Computing

We will be using the iPads and Stop motion apps to create our own fireworks display using Lego. We will also be using voice recorders and iPads to record and retell stories.

## Music

We will be learning lots of Christmas songs and using instruments to express feelings in films.

## Art

We will be using lots of different art materials to create pictures and crafts to celebrate Guy Fawkes and Christmas. We shall also be looking at the artist William Morris.