



Year 5: Spring 1: Victorian Aldershot

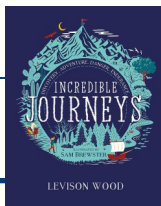
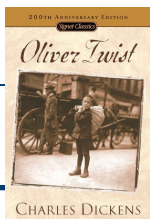
Spring 1 (6 weeks): Victorian Aldershot

Stimulus: Farnham Rural Living immersive Victorian experience

History: Aldershot in the Victorian era

English text: The Sleeper and the Spindle

Class reader: Incredible Journeys (non-fiction)/ Oliver Twist (playscript)



Computing: Scratch Quiz

RE: Neighbour

Music: Untuned instrument families

French: Birthdays and Food

Science: Separating mixtures

PSHE: Trust and Loyalty

Indoor PE: Gymnastics

Outdoor PE: Tag Rugby

Art: Anime



HOMEWORK

The children have got off to a good start with their homework but please be aware that we will now be ensuring that there is always completed, as part of their preparation for year 6.

Homework consists of Mathematics questions sent home in an orange book for arithmetic practise which will be set on a Tuesday and due in the following Monday.

5 'rule breakers' or tricky words will be set on a Monday and children know to record these to take home for extra practise. We also ask that you continue to practise times tables recall with your children regularly and continue to use TT Rockstars.

Finally, we ask that you ensure they are reading either a school book or a book from home **at least 3 times per week** and completing their reading record.

Thank you in advance for your support.



Rural Living Museum — Thursday 6th February



To help your child to really understand what life was like for a Victorian child, we are going to be going to Farnham Rural Living for an immersive school trip. As part of the day, they will be given the opportunity to attend a Victorian school, wash clothes using wash boards and mangles and meet a skilled wheelwright and help him to build a waggon wheel.

KEY DATES

Monday 6th January: INSET day

Tuesday 7th January: Children begin back at school

Week commencing 13th January: Integrity Week

Week commencing 13th January: Extra curricular clubs and boosters begin

Friday 17th January: Talavera's got Talent

Friday 21st January: Parents Vs Kids Rugby (Sign-up required)

Week commencing 3rd February: Parent IEP drop ins (times to be booked with class teachers)

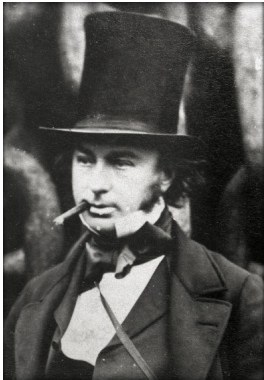
Tuesday 4th February: Talavera Treat (selected children only)

Tuesday 11th February: Safer Internet Day

W/C 17th February: Half-term



A very special assignment



This half-term, we are hoping to invite you into school to celebrate your child's very special assignment. As a topic homework, your child is invited to design an engineering marvel which would revolutionise Aldershot. It could be a bridge, a railway, a building - anything which would make Isambard Kingdom Brunel proud! We would love to see your child **make** this design too, along with a document explaining why it should be chosen.

You will then be invited into school at the end of the half-term, for an exhibition. At this World Fair-style event, we will invite impartial judges in to award the prestigious blue ribbon once they have spoken to your child about their design.

Please support your child in this event. Thank you!

Online safety:

Some of your children may have received a device of some kind for Christmas. This can lead to fun and excitement but please remember the following two points.

Devices can significantly disrupt sleep patterns. Devices should be turned off **at least an hour** before the bedtime routine begins to allow children's brains to unwind.

Children are vulnerable to forming unhealthy relationships when playing in collaborative modes. Please ensure your child understands that they must never move to a private chat or to a different app with someone they don't know.



Internet Safety remains a key priority at our school and consequently we will be participating in the National Online safety week beginning on Monday 5th February. This year is titled, 'Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online.' We encourage you to take the time this week to discuss with the children what they have been learning and how it will influence their internet use at home.

UNIFORM



A reminder that as a school we do offer access to second-hand uniform. This is available throughout the year on request at the office.

This has been such a valuable resource for many families. However, to keep it a success we need donations. Donations of unneeded or outgrown uniform can be brought into the office or given to Miss Coombs at any point in the year.

Please also remember if you are experiencing any difficulties with uniform that you speak to your child's class teacher or a member of office staff. We will always do what we can to help.

Finally, please ensure all uniform is named. Already the school has a surplus amount of jumpers which remain unclaimed in lost property which we are eager to reunite with children but cannot as it is unnamed.