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Friday 11th September 2026

Year 1 Victorian Day

Dear Parent/Carer,

As part of our History topic this term, Year 1 will be stepping back in time to host a special Victorian Day in school on Wednesday 30th September. This will be a wonderful way of enhancing children's learning experience around our Victorian school history enquiry. School dinners and packed lunches will run as normal, and drop-off and pick-up times remain the same as a normal school day.

To bring our learning to life, the children will experience a day in the life of a Victorian school child. Activities will include traditional slate writing, Victorian playground games, using traditional equipment for maths, and classic craft making.

We would love for all children to come to school dressed in Victorian-style attire for the day. Please do not feel the need to buy an expensive costume—simple outfits made from everyday clothes or items you already have at home work best.

Suggested Victorian-style clothing ideas for children:

- Dark trousers, shorts, long skirts or simple dresses
- Plain white shirts, blouses or collared tops
- Waistcoats, cardigans, braces or pinafores/aprons
- Flat caps, newsboy hats, ribbons or neatly tied hair
- A plain white apron or pinafore (a tea towel or pillowcase tied at the waist works brilliantly)

Thank you for your support in making our topic fun and memorable for the children. If you have any questions or need help with costume ideas, please speak to a member of the Year 1 team, contact the school office or email us via: enquiries@westways.sheffield.sch.uk.

Kind regards,

Mrs Knight / Mrs Taylor / Miss Sutton / Mr Wheeliker

Year 1 Class Teachers