



## Experience Title:

# *What did the Victorians do for Maidstone?*

**Year/ Class:** Pine Class Year 3 and 4

**Start Date:** 3.01.19.

6

Weeks

**End Date:** 15.02.19.

### **Main Subject focus:**

History

### **Supported by this/these subject(s):**

Art and drama

### **Discrete Subjects:**

Guided Reading, SPaG/ Phonics, Maths, RE, French, Music, PE, PSHE.

**Rationale:** To learn about a period in British history that is significant to our locality. To understand the changes that happened to people's lives during the Victorian era. To compare the lives of the rich and poor. To learn about the lives of children and compare them to our own. To know how Dr Barnado and Lord Shaftsbury helped to improve the lives of some Victorian children. Knowing that the Victorian age was long and included many new inventions that changed people's lives such as steam trains, factories and electricity. Learning about changes to rules about working hours and conditions that were changed due to workforce reforms. Learning about a local explorer who travelled around the world and brought back artefacts that could be viewed by the people of Maidstone and know about his life.

### **Hook:**

Step back in time. What was Hollingbourne School like the year it was built?

### **Outcome:**

To spend a day as a Victorian child experiencing how children dressed, what they ate, how they were treated in school and what their lessons were like.

### **Core Values**

Aspiration

Acceptance

Resilience

Respect

Collaboration

Honesty

### **How the Values will be fostered:**

- *Respect - other people's clothing, history and how people used to live, their life experiences*
- *Acceptance - other people's lives and experiences and compare to own*
- *Aspiration - to further knowledge and understanding about a period in history*

### **Celebrating success by:**

Enjoying a Victorian day at school

### **Community Links/ Visits/ Visitors:**

Visit All Saints Church Hollingbourne to locate and comment on Victorian grave stones; consider the age people died and when in the Victorian era they died.

Walk around Hollingbourne to find houses that were built in the Victorian era; know some key features of Victorian architecture.

Visit Maidstone Museum to look at Victorian artefacts, experience workshops to learn about Victorian schools and education and the learn about a local explorer, Julian Brenchley.

### **Parental support:**

To help to locate Victorian buildings around Maidstone, to help to make a Victorian outfit for our Victorian day and encourage discussions to compare our lives to those of poor Victorian children.