

Knowledge I already have

In Year 2 I learnt about :

- aspects of life in Victorian Britain, including class systems (rich and poor) and the lives of children; the legacy of Queen Victoria.

In Year 3 I learnt about:

- the Reform Acts of the 19th century, which increased the number of adult men entitled to vote from about one-sixth to two-thirds.

In Year 4 I learnt about:

- the invention of cinema during the Victorian era and the popularity of silent movies;
- the investment in building infrastructure and public parklands that defined the Victorian era.

Future Knowledge

Later in Year 6:

- I will learn about the reasons behind the establishment of the British Empire.
- I will investigate the causes and consequences of Britain's expansion into the world.
- I will explore the reasons for the British Empire's decline.

New Knowledge

This half term:

- you will know what life was like in Victorian Britain;
- you will learn about the various roles of children in Victorian society and the causes of child labour reform;
- you will know how attitudes towards education changed throughout history;
- you will understand how law and order was maintained in Britain prior to the 19th century;
- you will learn about the establishment of the first police force in Britain through the Metropolitan Police Act of 1829;
- you will assess how social reform in the Victorian era has impacted our lives today.

Key Concepts

Cause and consequence:

- I will analyse the causes and consequences of social reform in Victorian Britain.

Similarity and difference:

- I will compare childhood experiences in the Victorian era with life for children today.

Change and continuity:

- I will explore how social reforms changed Britain.

Significance:

- I will identify key figures from this period and explain their significance.

education

the process of being taught knowledge or skills

equality

the state of being equal in status, rights or opportunities

reform

a large group of countries ruled over by a single ruler.

act

a law made by the parliament

labour

work, especially physical work

metropolitan

relating to or denoting a large city

secular

not connected with religious or spiritual matters