

Dear Parents of Year 1 children

Victorian Day - Life in the Big House

For the beginning of the summer term our new learning challenge is focused on learning about the Victorians.

We have booked 'History Off the Page' to come in on **Tuesday 25th April** to help us deliver this experience. Our aim is to develop all the children's knowledge, skills and understanding of this fascinating period of time in a hands-on cross-curricular learning experience.

The day will involve a number of different workshops and experiences around living and working in a Big House in Victorian times.

In order to help the children engage with the period and role-play it would help if they could come to school in a simple costume. See the diagrams attached for guidance on the costumes.

We are asking for a contribution of £11.20 to cover the cost of the event (including materials and food) to be paid by **Friday 31st March.**

Yours sincerely

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It is sure to be an exciting day and we all look forward to experiencing life in Victorian times. If you would like to be a parent helper on this day, then please complete the slip below. We do need all the help we can get and look forward to seeing you involved in this activity, but if too many people volunteer we will pull from a hat.

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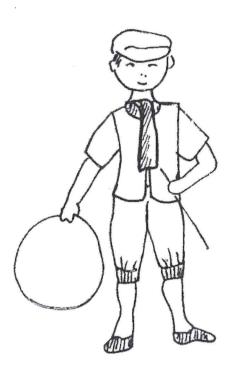
Name of Child:

Victorian Costume:

Suggestions for home-made costumes:

Boys

- Either short trousers and long šocks, long trousers/track suit bottoms tucked into long socks.
- A collar-less shirt (cut the collar off an old one!) A waistcoat and /or a cap could also be worn.
- A sailor suit or a 'Little Lord Fauntleroy' velvet one with lace collar and cuffs would be very authentic!



Girls

- Either a long dress nipped in at the waist, or a long skirt and a blouse.
- A white apron or a smock could also be worn.
- A mob cap or a hat and a shawl would complete the look. A mob cap is very easy to make
 - you need a circle of white material about 30 cm diameter (depending on the size of the
 head). Neaten the edge and maybe add a little lace. About 5 cm from the edge stitch on a
 ring of bias binding, leaving a gap to thread through a length of elastic. Adjust to fit and
 stitch firmly or knot.

