Topic - As Historians, we will be finding out what life was like for children living in Victorian Britain. We will be looking at evidence from a range of sources to discover the differences between the lives of the rich and poor, exploring what school and home life must have been like, as well as the living conditions faced by many working children. We will also look at how life changed for people during Queen Victoria's reign through new inventions and ideas.

English - Our work in English will include fiction, non-fiction and poetry. In our narrative writing, we will be investigating rags to riches and voyage and return stories which we will use as models to write our own stories that develop characters and setting. In non-fiction we will be reading and then writing recounts and explanations and in poetry, we will be looking at how poets use figurative language to create atmosphere and setting. Our class novel for this term will be 'Darwin's Dragons' by Lindsay Galvin.

Maths - Our work in maths will include developing our understanding of place value in numbers up to and beyond a million; applying our addition and subtraction skills to solving problems and developing formal methods for multiplication and division. Year Five will also be extending their knowledge of statistics, area and perimeter while Year Six will build on their knowledge of calculating with fractions to include multiplication and division.

PE - In our outdoor games sessions we will be developing our team games skills through rugby and netball.

Art - We will be developing and refining our painting skills through the theme of landscapes, using the work of David Hockney as inspiration for our own works.

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Computing - We will be developing our programming skills through the use of Crumbles; we will also develop our use of spreadsheets by presenting data linked to our Enterprise work.

Values - Our Values for the Autumn Term are Friendship and Respect. Science - Our topic this term is 'We're Evolving'. We will be investigating how living things produce offspring that are similar in appearance, but identical to themselves, whether they are plants or animals. We will also consider how animals change over time as they adapt to their surroundings and how this leads to longer-term changes. Finally, we will investigate how fossils give us evidence of change over long periods of time.

RE - Our work will include exploring 'What It Means to be a Muslim in Britain Today.' We will explore how the Five Pillars affect the daily lives of Muslims.

Music - In our music lessons, we will be developing our ability to perform hip-hop music using our voices and instruments to accompany 'The Fresh Prince of Bel Air'.