

Kingfishers Class Newsletter, September 2019. What have we learned from important Victorian women?

Welcome to the Autumn term! This term our new topic is **important Victorian women** which will give us lots of opportunities to look back into Victorian history and make comparisons with life today.

In **Literacy** we will be reading the books 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' by Ronda and David Armitage and we will be practising writing in a variety of genres including story writing and recipe writing for healthy lunches. We will also be learning a lot about **Victorian History**, including the life of Florence Nightingale, Grace Darling, Queen Victoria and Mary Seacole. In **Maths** this term we will be focussing on all things to do with place value and understanding addition and subtraction.

In **Science** our focus will be about animals and their habitats, what they eat, how they survive, as well as their category animals according to their characteristics. how their features and adaptations enable them to survive.

In **PSHE** our focus this term is on 'Being Me in My World' and we have been learning about what makes us feel safe and special, what helps us to learn and about our rights and responsibilities referring to the Framfield 5 Rs. In **RE** we have been focussing on the creation story from the bible.

In **Music** we will be exploring pitch, pace and rhythm and how the effects of music can create an atmosphere. We will be linking our sea theme to music and listening to La Mer by Debussy as well as learning and composing some sea shanties. In **Art** we will be exploring seascapes and creating our own inspired by the work of Turner.

## Important things to remember

P.E will continue to be on Fridays (Alice from Active Primary Sports) and Thursdays (Mrs Kent).

## Compulsory Home Learning

- Spelling practice in spelling books 5 x per week
- Maths fluency practice 5 minutes per day  $5 \times$  per week, 1 Maths task to complete per week.
- Daily Reading 15 minutes per day to include both your child reading and you reading to your child at least  $5 \times \text{per}$  week.

Spellings and Maths task will be sent home on Thursdays to be returned by Tuesday.

## Optional Home Learning

- Home Learning Grid choose one item from grid and complete in homework books 1 x per week
- Mathletics and Spelling Shed

Please make sure your child has the following in school each day:

- In bookbag Spelling book, homework book and reading record
- water bottle.
- Full PE kit.