



Leasowes Primary School

Dear parents/carers,

Following our work on the Victorian Era, Year 5 will be taking part in a Victorian classroom experience. Children are invited to come to school on Thursday 22nd October 2026 dressed as a Victorian child – with a steam punk element if they wish.

During the day, the children will experience what it was like under the rule of a strict Victorian teacher and the expectations of the classroom at the time. Children will spend the afternoon comparing their life to the life of a Victorian school child. Children will understand that life varied for children from different classes. Many resorted to workhouses, which provided basic poor relief like food, medical care and shelter in exchange for labour.

Later in the term, we would like to show the film 'Enola Holmes' in order to give further insight into Victorian life, comparing and contrasting Enola's strong female character to that of Lily Hartman from our class text, Cogheart.

The film is classified as a '12' by the bbfc, however, in line with the IMDB website, we feel that it is appropriate for a Year 5 audience to watch with parental permission. You may wish to find the 'Parents guide' on the IMDB website to inform your decision.

To reduce the need to send letters we will also be asking for permissions to watch Harry Potter in the Summer term which is classed as a PG. Again, this supports the learning that children will complete during the summer term and follows up on the educational visit to Warner Bros studios.

We look forward to, what promises to be, a day to remember.

Thank you for your continuing support.
Year 5 Teachers

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I give permission for my child _____ to watch 'Enola Holmes' movie.

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I give permission for my child to watch Harry Potter and the philosopher's stone in the summer term 2027.

Signed _____ Date _____