History Topic: Life in the Victorian times.

Year Group:

Spring Term

Key Knowledge:

What was The Great Exhibition?

The Great Exhibition was organized by Prince Albert to showcase all that England and the Empire had to offer. It was held at The Crystal Palace between the 1st May 1851 and the 15th October 1851. Members of the public used the new railways to travel to London, which meant that huge audiences could attend from all over the country. Six million people came to see over 13,000 exhibits.



What were toys and games like in the past?

A lot of the Victorian toys and games we still use and play with now, such as:

- Hopscotch
- Marbles
- Hoop and sticks
- Skipping ropes
- Tin soldiers
- China dolls



Activities:

- Children and teachers take part in a Victorian schools afternoon.
- To put on a classroom Great Exhibition for the other classes to attend.
- Victorian games afternoon.
- Victorian doll's house homework.

Key Vocabulary:

The Great Exhibition	A huge event showing inventions and exhibits from all over the world.
The Crystal Palace	The Crystal Palace was built specifically to hold The Great Exhibition, it was built in Hyde Park in London. The Crystal Palace burnt down in 1936.
Exhibits	Publicly display things in an art gallery, museum or at a trade fair.
Victorian toys	Toys used and made in the Victorian era.

Significant People:



Prince Albert:

- Prince Albert was married to Queen Victoria.
- He organized the Great Exhibition to celebrate industry and showcase new inventions to the public.
- He made sure the Great Exhibition was accessible to everyone.

Timeline: Toys from Victorian to modern day.

