

Penguins
Photo story
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"How have North East schools changed since the times of Queen Victoria?"

At the start of the project, we revisited what the children already knew about schooling in the past and addressed misconceptions.

We referred back to our Knowledge Organisers regularly throughout our topic to help us to recall our key knowledge.

History - Year 2 - Victorian Children (Schools)



Queen Victoria was well-known because she was queen during a time of great change. She even has an era of time named after her: 'The Victorians'.


Victorian schools were very different to ours. The boys and girls were taught separately.

Key vocabulary

Dunce Hat - A hat that was used to punish children


Cane - A thin wooden stick that was carried by Victorian teachers.

The Three 'R's - These were the 3 main lessons taught in schools - Reading, writing and arithmetic (maths).




Victorian teachers were very strict.


Dunce Hat



Cane



Victorian Classroom



Next, we used the high quality texts "You Wouldn't want to be a Victorian Schoolchild" and "Daisy saves the day" to promote interest in the learners and to give them a taste into what life was like for children in Victorian/Georgian England.

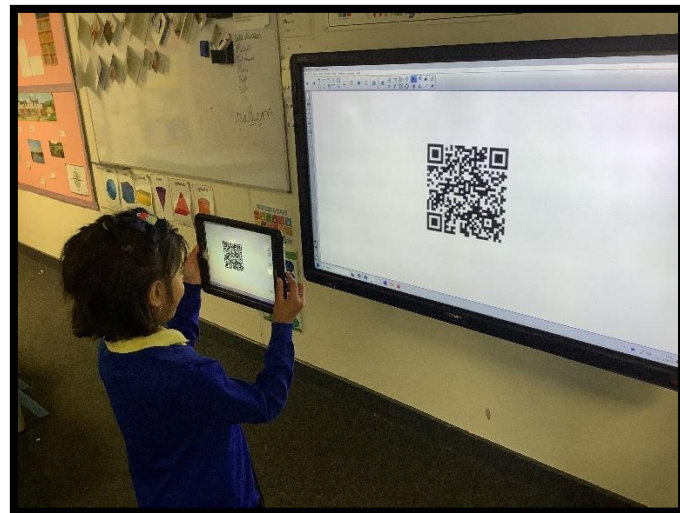


We then used books to find out information about what schools were like in Victorian Britain.





*Later, we used QR codes with
preprogramed webpages to find out
about the teachers in Victorian schools*



We then visited Beamish Living Museum and spent time looking around the Victorian school. It really brought to life what we had learnt and we got to see a Victorian classroom and even meet a Victorian teacher.











We combined our knowledge to create our own Minibooks. We spent time honing our writing skills in our English lessons and then used our writing sessions to create our Minibooks.

