



5 January 2012

To Parents with Daughters in Prep 6

Dear Parents

As part of our Victorian topic this term, the girls will be taking part in two activities. The first, on **Friday, 27 January**, is a trip to The Capitol in Horsham to see 'The Vile Victorians', a light-hearted approach to some of the interesting events of the Era. This, hopefully, will consolidate some of the areas the girls have already studied and give them an insight into other aspects that we may not have covered in the classroom.

We will be travelling by minibus, wearing school uniform, to see a morning performance and will be back in time for a proper school lunch. The cost for this trip will be £11.00. If you would be willing to come as a helper for a small group, and also be prepared to drive your car with your daughter and one friend to and from the theatre, please indicate on the enclosed slip.

The other event is later on in the term, but we would like to give you ample time to prepare for it!

Prep 6 girls will be experiencing a day in the life of a Victorian school child on Friday, 2 March 2012. In order to be as authentic as possible, we would like your daughter to come to school dressed as a middle or lower class child (male or female). Please see enclosed pictures for costume ideas. Please do not hire costumes as these can be expensive and they only need to be very simple – a charity shop can often supply just what is needed!

We would like to have a typical Victorian school lunch so we would ask you to send your daughter with a packed lunch and snack of appropriate sandwiches or pies, fruit and homemade-type biscuits, et cetera. Please note, there should be no plastic containers, crisps or such like; we will provide drinks – see guidelines attached.

During the day, the girls will experience Victorian lessons, writing on slates, blotting their copy book, exercise, deportment, rote learning, tables, chanting, handwriting, singing and so on. They will not, however, experience the cane or the dunce's hat, although they will learn of their existence!

We hope that this will be a fun day and that your daughter will appreciate her own school life even more as a result!

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Strivens
(P/visits/P6/Capitol&VicSchDay12)

Miss S Welsh

Please return to Mrs Strivens or Miss Welsh

**Prep 6 trip to The Capitol Theatre, Horsham
“The Vile Victorians” on 27 January 2012**

Daughter’s Name:

I give permission for my daughter to go on the above trip.

I enclose a cheque for £11.00 (payable to Farlington School).

Please add £11.00 to my end-of-term account.

I am able to accompany the Theatre trip and drive to and from Horsham with my daughter and a friend.

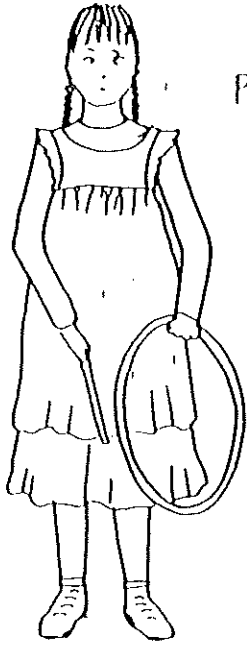
I have read the information regarding the Victorian School Day Experience on Friday, 2 March 2012.

Signed: (*Parent/Guardian*) Date:

Dressed as girls please!

Dressed as a boy.....

What shall I wear?



plain long sleeved top

White pinafore apron.

plain, dark skirt

plain dark tights or bare legs

lace up shoes or boots.



- flat cap.

- simple waistcoat or short jacket.

- collarless shirt

- Trousers lucked into long socks or old trousers cut off below the knee.

- black boots or shoes

Remember!

Warmer clothes in the winter

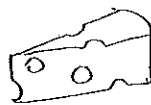
A Victorian Packed Lunch



pastie



cheese



pear



in a basket

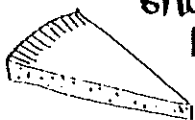


in a tin box



in a paper bag

shortbread biscuit



apple



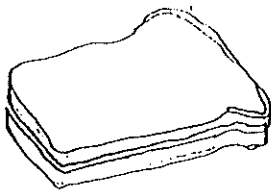
plums

Do not bring

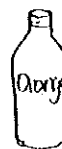
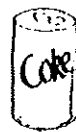
carrot



Sandwiches



wrapped up in greaseproof paper



any drinks

(Homemade lemonade is provided)



OR

anything wrapped in plastic