**Time Allocation: 8 weeks** 

Date: Autumn 1 2019

Teacher: Ellie Benson

## Literacy/Communication:

This half term we will be studying the work of the Victorian author and poet Edward Lear. In particular, the famous poem of "The Owl and the Pussycat". We will use this text to write letters and explore a range of spelling, punctuation and grammar rules leading up to writing our own adventures of The Owl and the Pussycat. Our reading for pleasure text for this half term is "The Minpins" by Roald Dahl and I hope class 2 enjoy listening to the story.

#### **Numeracy:**

This half-term we will support children to become more confident in their knowledge of place value. We will use our growing understanding of place value to help us sort, compare and order numbers. We will also be building upon our knowledge of addition and subtraction by strengthening our understanding of number bonds to 20 and applying this to fact families of equations.

Science: Our topic in Science is animals including humans. We will be describing the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene. Throughout the unit we will be doing lots of hands on, practical learning which I hope year 2 are going to enjoy.

## Computing:

We will begin to look at using the internet to research questions that we have relating to our topic and using this information to support our learning.

# **Stanstead Nursery** and **Primary School**

### **Theme Title**

What was Nottingham like during the Victorian Period?

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Learn about the similarities and differences between our current lifestyle and the lives of people from the past.

#### **WOW**

The class will be having their own Victorian school experience to learn what it would have been like to attend school in the Victorian times.

History: Throughout this topic year 2 will be travelling back in time to discover the differences between the victorian era and today. We will be exploring the similarities and differences in toys, houses, jobs, food and transportation.

Art and design: During their art lessons year 2 will be exploring the uses of colour in art. We will be choosing, using and mixing colour to create quality art work that shows progression in skills. The children will have the opportunity to explore the life and work of six key abstract artists and create pieces in the style of abstract art.

**PSHE**: We will be beginning our zippy work looking at our different feelings and how we can react and cope when we are feeling different emotions.

RE: We will be looking at the 10 commandments and thinking about why rules are important. We will also whether all religions have a special book.

Music: We will be singing, listening and appreciating a variety of songs not only to support our learning but also for enjoyment.

#### PE:

Year 2 will be learning different gymnastics skills in PE this half term. We will explore how to use our bodies to create different movements and balances and put these into sequences.