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Dear Children and Parents/Carers,

As part of our history topic, Year 6 will be having a Victorian Day on Tuesday 19th September! I hope this will be a great way to learn more about our new topic, and experience history in a practical way.

Your child can come dressed as a Victorian school child for the day, if they wish to, and you may even want to send your child to school with a traditional Victorian packed lunch!

In the Victorian times, children would often be expected to recite, and rote learn things such as poetry, spellings and times table facts. I would like Year 6 to learn a verse from the poem 'The Jabberwocky' (please find attached) in preparation for Victorian Day. Learning more than one verse may impress your strict Victorian teacher!

Hopefully it will be a fun and memorable day!

Kind regards,

Miss Dickenson

The Jabberwocky by Lewis Carroll

'Twas brillig, and the slithy toves
Did gyre and gimble in the wabe:
All mimsy were the borogoves,
And the mome raths outgrabe.

“Beware the Jabberwock, my son!
The jaws that bite, the claws that catch!
Beware the Jubjub bird, and shun
The frumious Bandersnatch!”

He took his vorpal sword in hand;
Long time the manxome foe he sought—
So rested he by the Tumtum tree
And stood awhile in thought.

And, as in uffish thought he stood,
The Jabberwock, with eyes of flame,
Came whiffling through the tulgey wood,
And burbled as it came!

One, two! One, two! And through and through
The vorpal blade went snicker-snack!
He left it dead, and with its head
He went galumphing back.

“And hast thou slain the Jabberwock?
Come to my arms, my beamish boy!
O frabjous day! Callooh! Callay!”
He chortled in his joy.

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