

# Street Detectives



Grab a magnifying glass, put on your deerstalker and change your name to Sherlock because we're going to become street detectives! This half term, we'll follow a route around our local streets and take pictures of the buildings and businesses we can see. Talking to residents about the area will help us understand how the local community could be improved. We'll learn nursery rhymes, write poetry and create persuasive adverts. Looking at photographs will help us to spot any similarities and differences between the houses and shops of today and the past. We'll find out about the history of our school and talk to former pupils about their experiences. We'll also study and draw maps, create a model of a local building, draw portraits of the people we have met and look at the work of urban artists.

ILP focus	History
English	Recounts, captions, nursery rhymes, instructions, adverts
History	Changes within living memory, significant people, places and events in the local area
Art & design	Famous local artists, portraits, views from the local area
Computing	Algorithms
D&T	Sign making, designing buildings
Geography	Fieldwork in the local area, human and physical features, using and making maps with keys, looking at aerial images
PSHE	Belonging to a community, improving the local area
Science	Identifying and comparing everyday materials

## Help your child prepare for their project

Become street detectives and explore your local community. Why not visit a local museum to see what the local area was like in days gone by? You could also look up at the roofs of local buildings to spot interesting carvings and chimney shapes. Alternatively, read the book *A Street Through Time* by Steve Noon together to see how one street has changed over thousands of years.

***We also need donations of small boxes to make models of buildings and any old photographs you have of Yarm or the school.***

***Many thanks, Miss McCarthy and Mrs Hodgson.***