

Barley and Barkway C of E VA

First Schools Federation



Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 1 and Year 2 children only.

As a way of providing your child with the best opportunity to find out about Florence Nightingale, 'History Off the Page' will come and spend the day at Barley with us on Friday 9th March 2018 for a 'Florence Nightingale Day'. Children will need to be dropped at Barley for a 9.00a.m. start. As the children are at Barley all day lunch will be at Barley and the children should be picked up at Barley at 3.00p.m. If your child needs transport back to Barkway please let Mrs Harris know.

Pupils will be able to explore and handle many genuine Victorian and replica artefacts, personal belongings and equipment that Florence Nightingale and her nurses would have taken with them to the Crimean War.

On the day, children will make various items, which will be used in the hospital-related afternoon session. Items include: candle holders, pill boxes and medals. There will be lots of role-play activities as we pretend to work in the Scutari Hospital. The story of Florence's life will be told as the day unfolds.

All children will need to wear a 'Victorian' costume to add to the authenticity of the day. Costumes do not have to be elaborate. I have put examples on the back of this letter for inspiration.

The day requires a number of adult helpers. Please fill in the relevant section of the consent slip below if you are able to come along and join in with the fun for the whole day.

Many thanks,

Lizzy Wallace

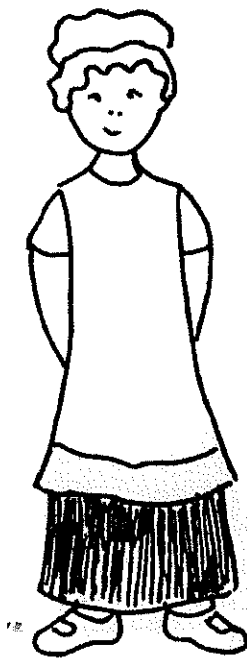
I confirm via School Gateway to consent to my child taking part in the History Off the Page 'Florence Nightingale Day' on Friday 9th March 2018.

Any parent who can offer help for the whole of Florence Nightingale Day (8.50 a.m. - 3.00 p.m.) please let us know. Please be aware that you will be required to dress up too!

Victorian Costume:

Girls

- Either a long dress nipped in at the waist, or a long skirt and a blouse.
- A white apron or a smock could also be worn.
- A mob cap or a hat and a shawl would complete the look. A mob cap is very easy to make - you need a circle of white material about 30 cm diameter (depending on the size of the head). Neaten the edge and maybe add a little lace. About 5 cm from the edge stitch on a ring of bias binding, leaving a gap to thread through a length of elastic. Adjust to fit and stitch firmly or knot.



Victorian Costume:

Boys

- Either short trousers and long socks, long trousers/track suit bottoms tucked into long socks.
- A collar-less shirt (cut the collar off an old one!) A waistcoat and /or a cap could also be worn.

