

## Can you be a history detective?

History is all around us- you just have to know where to look!

Try this post box challenge and see if you can find a little bit of the past on your doorstep.



With the new king's coronation on the horizon, the children are very interested in the monarchy and previous kings and queens. One simple and fun thing you can do is take a closer look at the post boxes around you. Each one has a royal symbol (or cypher) telling you who the monarch was when it was installed. When you are out and about over the holidays, look out for post boxes and see if you can find some with different cyphers. Who was the monarch when your closest post box was built? Perhaps you would like to try and design a post box or cypher for our new king Charles III. Or try ticking off all the cyphers from Queen Victoria onwards on our post box bingo sheet. Maybe you could count how many of each monarch you have seen, make a tally as you see new ones or think about which are the most common and why. We'd love to see your history detective work so please do send us some pictures of your child on their post box hunt to share with their friends in class either via seesaw or by emailing the teacher.



# Postbox Bingo

The first postboxes appeared during Queen Victoria's reign. Can you find a postbox from every reign from then until Queen Elizabeth II?

Queen Victoria

1837– 1901



King Edward VII

1901–1910



King George V

1910– 1936



King Edward VIII

1936



King George VI

1936 –1952



Queen Elizabeth II

1952– 2022

