

Year 4 Ruby - Knowledge Organiser

'Let there be light!'

History - The History of Lighthouses and Grace Darling

In Summer 1, Ruby Class will explore the history of lighthouses, learning how they have evolved over time and their importance in keeping sailors safe. We will also study Grace Darling, a brave Victorian heroine who played a key role in a daring sea rescue. Through this topic, we will develop our understanding of significant historical events and individuals, examining how lighthouses have shaped maritime safety and why Grace Darling is remembered today.

Lighthouses through history Timeline



Before 1500s



1500s – 1800s



1500s – 1800s



Late 1800s



Grace Darling

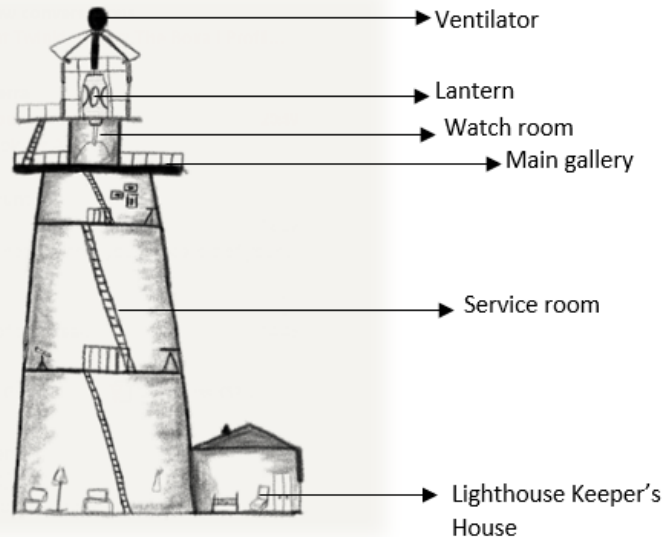


1900 - Now

Lighthouses

- A lighthouse is an important tool that sailors can use when finding their way on the water.
- In ancient times, to find their way back to a certain place, fishermen arranged pyramids of the stones on the coast.
- No two lighthouses are the same, and this is on purpose! Each lighthouse has a unique combination of shape, height, colour, and light pattern (called a light characteristic) so that sailors can identify where they are just by looking at the lighthouse.

Lighthouse



Grace Darling

- Born on 24th November 1815
- Died on 20th October 1842
- She was an English Lighthouse keeper's daughter.
- She is famous for the rescue of the survivors of the shipwrecked *Forfarshire*.
- The *Forfarshire* had broken in half and one of the halves had sunk to the bottom of the sea in the night.
- Grace and her father received Silver Medal for bravery by the Royal National Institution for the Preservation of Life from Shipwreck.