



## Home Learning - Week 4 - VE Day Celebrations.



This week all of your learning tasks build up to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day - marking 75 years since the end of WW2. These activities are for you to enjoy as a family leading up to the celebrations being held on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May, which is a Bank Holiday.

**First things first, we need to learn about VE day. What was happening in the world? Who made an announcement to start the celebrations? How was VE day celebrated?**

Use these websites below to research and learn about VE day. Make a mind map to collate all of your notes and ideas.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/history-ks2-ve-day/z7xtmfr>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/48201749>

You have a choice of **two** English tasks:

Write a newspaper report reporting the announcement made and the celebrations that were carried out. You could include speech to report on a conversation you had with someone at a street party and how they were feeling. Include a title, introduction, and picture.

**Or** Write a non-fiction web page to explain to someone what VE is and why it is celebrated. Remember to include a title, subheadings, real facts and pictures or photographs.

No party is a party without some decorations and this was the case when people held their celebrations at home.

**Design and create your own party decorations. They may include: bunting, flags, posters etc.**

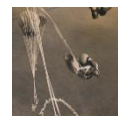


**Challenge:** include important facts on your poster/bunting.

During the war parachutes were used by paratroopers, some were even accompanied by dogs.

**Design and make your own parachute using materials from around the house. Time how long it takes for your parachute to fall to the floor. You could hold it yourself or even ask an adult to help you drop it from a window.**

**Challenge:** research how parachutes work using the force 'air resistance'.



On VE day street parties took place all over the country to celebrate.

**Design a picnic with all of your favourite foods to have at your very own VE Day party.**



**Challenge:** Give yourself a budget of £50 and use supermarket websites to calculate the cost of your picnic.

At 3pm on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 1945, Winston Churchill (the Prime Minister at the time) made an announcement to say the war in Europe had come to an end.

**Practice reading and performing the speech Winston Churchill made on that day - you could even record yourself and send it into school.**

**Challenge:** write your own version of a speech as if you were Winston Churchill at the time.



### Morse Code

**Find out:** what is the Morse code? How was it used during the war?

**Challenge:** can you create your own code and write a secret message for somebody in your family to crack! You could even send it to your teacher!



Many countries were a part of World War II. **Choose a country and create a fact file about this country.** You may choose to include current information or information about this country during the war.

Listen to 1940's music <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c2aqHGaSxRI> **Make your own dance watching this video and using the music. You could perform it on Friday to your family.**

Medals were given by the British Government to those who participated in World War II.

**Design your own medal for a British Soldier to acknowledge their role in the war.**

Think about the shape of the medal and color of the ribbon.

**Challenge:** annotate your medal explaining the decisions you have made and how this reflects the significance of the war.



This week we would really like you to get creative and do the best with the activities on this page. Have fun and enjoy all of your hard work on VE Day with a stay home garden party.

Please continue to read daily, log on to Spelling Shed and practice. You can spend time this week continuing to finish your home learning booklets OR having a go at any of the activities you missed on Weeks 1 & 2 timetables.

We hope you enjoy the activities we have set this week and look forward to seeing all of the wonderful things you get up to. Keep smiling and stay safe.