

Topic overview for: Year 3

Topic Title: Dig for Victory – World War 2

To engage the children, we will:

- Visit Horton Kirby. The children will experience what it was like for an evacuated child during World War 2. They will walk around the town and visit a real Anderson Air raid Shelter. They will also get a feel of what it was like to be a pupil during these times.
- Look at a range of World War 2 artefacts, books, photographs, testimonials etc.
- Read stories based on children's experiences in World War 2.

By the end of the topic children will **know**:

- Significant events and dates in World War 2.
- What Home Front experiences were like for Londoners.
- About evacuation experiences for children in England.
- What happened in The Blitz.
- How food was rationed during wartime and how recipes had to change.
- The changing roles of women.
- About wartime music and dancing.
- Why people were encouraged to 'Dig for Victory'.

During the topic children will learn **how to**:

- Use a timeline to place events in order.
- Suggest and research their own topic ideas.
- Collect evidence from different sources, such as reading books, online research and listening to first-hand accounts.
- Look at and compare different accounts of the same event.
- Form an opinion based on evidence.
- Successfully grow a range of plants.
- Paint pictures of a variety of plants and flowers.

The memorable experience(s) at the end of the topic will be:

"Victory in Europe (VE) celebration day"

The children will demonstrate their learning through: wartime dancing to popular 1940's music; designing and cooking wartime recipes; wearing clothes typical of the time and playing traditional children's games.

To support your child's learning with this topic you could:

- Visit local places of interest such as libraries and museums.
- Research and read about World War 2.
- Talk to family members and friends about wartime memories.
- Grow vegetables.
- Visit an allotment or a city farm.
- Encourage your child to complete the weekly home learning.

PE Lessons:

3L –Weds & Thurs

3C – Thurs & Fri

Please ensure your child has their PE kit on these days.