75th Anniversary of VE Day - 8th May 2020

- What is VE Day all about?
 - Read this article to find out: What is VE Day?
 - Watch this video explaining VE day and the commemorations:
 <u>KS2 VE Day video</u> or <u>KS1 VE Day video</u>
 - Enjoy this song from Horrible Histories:
 Horrible Histories VE Day Song

<u>Activities</u>

- Find out about World War 2 rationing. How would you feel if your food was rationed? Try living on rations for just one day! You could even make some traditional wartime foods: <u>Traditional wartime food recipes</u>
- What is an evacuee? What would life have been like for evacuees? Can you write a diary entry as if you were an evacuee?
- Find some images of VE DAY celebrations and commemorations throughout the years and compare them. In what ways have the commemorations changed? In what ways have they stayed the same?
- Make a VE Day medal using different materials.
- Read and/or listen to part of Winston Churchill's speech announcing the end of the war. <u>Churchill Speech VE Day</u>

How would it have felt to be there? What do you like about his speech?

Who is Winston Churchill? What is he remembered for? Create a factfile about Churchill.

- Do you have any older relatives/family friends who remember VE Day? Ask them about it and what they remember of World War 2.
- Have your own street party in your garden!
 - Make bunting: <u>VE Day bunting</u>
 - \circ $\;$ Listen and dance to some traditional British music
 - Make British party food: <u>Street party recipes</u>



More resources linked to VE Day and WW2: <u>BBC History: VE Day and WW2</u> <u>Twinkl VE Day Resources</u>



