

Home Learning -VE Day Celebrations.

This week we have included a few extra tasks as part of the build up to celebrate the 75th 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 Friday 8th May, which is a Bank Holiday. Please send your photos to hello@gig-mill.dudley.sch.uk so we can share and enjoy the celebrations together.

Wartime recipe booklet.



Put your maths measuring skills to the test.

Find out more about some typical war time recipes.

Challenge: think of your favourite meal - write a recipe card and decorate it for somebody else to enjoy as much as you.

Many countries were a part of World War II.

Choose a country and create a fact file about this country.

Challenge: You may choose to include current information or information about this country during the war.

Morse Code was used during the war as a way of sending messages.

Use the information on [this link](#) to learn more about the Morse Code.

A	·-·-	J	·-·-·	S	····
B	····	K	·-·-·	T	·-·-
C	··-·	L	····	U	····
D	····	M	··-·	V	····
E	····	N	·-·-	W	··-·
F	··-·	O	··-·	X	··-·
G	··-·	P	··-·	Y	··-·
H	····	Q	··-·	Z	··-·
I	····	R	··-·		

Challenge: can you create your own code and write a secret message for somebody in your family to crack!

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.



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. Ask an adult to help decide where best to test it.



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 8th May 1945, Winston Churchill (the Prime Minister at the time) made an announcement to say the war in Europe had come to an end. [Click here to listen to Winston Churchill's speech](#)

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.



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.

