

On Friday, we celebrate VE day. This year is a special one, as it is 75 years since Germany admitted defeat and the war ended. This week, I will be linking our activities and daily tasks around the theme of VE day.

## English:

We will be listening to the story 'The Lion and The Unicorn' by Shirley Hughes (<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qqzBOYMDkbM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qqzBOYMDkbM</a>) and the writing activities will include writing a short diary, describing the unicorn, writing a list of what to pack in Lenny's suitcase and thinking about why Lenny had to move to the countryside and how it made him feel.

## Geography/History:

Here are some ideas about what you can do:

• Explore the continent of Europe. Watch the Go Jetters link below which talks about the continent of Europe. Make a mini Fact File all about Europe. Include a drawing of the map of Europe and 3 facts.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/pshe-eyfs-ks1-go-jetters-continent-of-europe/zvsd47h

- Research how life was different 75 years ago. Think about:
  - What games did children play?
  - What jobs did people do?
  - What did people eat/drink?
  - What did children wear?
  - How did they travel?

## Get Creative!

There are many wonderful craft activities you can have a go at. For example:

- Make your own union jack flag to wave
- Create your own bunting to decorate your windows
- Make a street party poster
- Try some wartime recipes
- Make a party hat
- Design an invitation for a tea party celebrating the end of WW2
- Design and make a war medal

Templates for the above craft ideas can be found on the school website. There is also a useful PowerPoint which shows images of Britain in 1945 when the war was declared over.

Have lots of discussions with your child and talk to them about what the war was and how people might have felt in those times.

Remember to check out ClassDojo each day where I will be sharing daily activities to do related to VE day!

Thank you parents for your continued support.

Keep calm and carry on!