



Birches First School

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...to be the best 'me' I can be.



1st April 2025

Dear Parents

On Thursday 8th May 2025, as a school we will be celebrating 80 years of peace since the end of World War II in Europe.

To get fully into the spirit, we are asking all children to come to school dressed in 1940s clothing, any service clothing (naval, air, land, nurses etc) or simply red, white, and blue! Any props are warmly welcomed such as gas masks, flags, hats, small suitcases etc. We want to feel transported back to 1945! Hopefully, some of you may be able to use last year's costumes - **PLEASE DO NOT BUY ANYTHING ESPECIALLY.**

We would certainly love to see any war-time artefacts that any relatives may have, we promise to look after them and they will not be held by the children! Similarly, if any relatives/friends would like to come into school and talk about their experiences, we would be thrilled to welcome them into Birches and the children would be delighted to hear their accounts.

For lunch, the children will be having a street party lunch of sandwiches/crisps and with a treat pudding- why not it is a celebration day! If you could donate any crisps, cakes, biscuits...any party food or even paper plates, cups, serviettes for our street party that would be amazing!

Again, if any parents wish to donate any decorations such as flags, bunting, balloons etc we would be extremely grateful for any extras that would make our day even more special!

We are really looking forward to celebrating this momentous occasion at school (please keep fingers crossed for a dry and warm day!), the children will be completing fun activities during the day to enhance and aid their learning about this great British historical event and honouring the heroes of the second world war.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Best wishes

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Headteacher