



# Shankhill C of E Primary School

*Our vision: Creative learning, personal achievement and happiness.  
Enabling everyone to flourish and 'to live life in all its fullness'. (John 10:10)*

## Home Learning VE Day theme week

Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> May, is a National Bank Holiday to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Victory in Europe; the day we celebrate the end of all of the fighting in Europe during World War Two. Ordinarily, we would have a week of celebrations in school and learning linked to this leading up a garden party on the Thursday afternoon. We are hoping to continue to do some of this learning as best we can this week so here is your new learning plan for week 5. Perhaps these activities might help you to prepare for a garden party of your own with the sun shining once more!



Please also keep at least **the basics** in learning going this week too. It would be a shame to lose the brilliant skills and routines that you have in place – see bottom of the letter for details.

### Introduction # The history of it all

To set the scene and explain what VE Day is there are two lessons here for you to watch. If you have a child in both key stages, then watch the Key Stage 1 video from <https://www.mrtadoeshistory.com/75th-anniversary-ve-day>  
KS1 lesson 18 minutes <https://youtu.be/64xozK7CpBk>  
KS2 lesson 29 mins <https://youtu.be/Qnh7sq4pvdY>

### Family Challenges

You may choose to take part in one or two activities from the challenges or have a go at it all. Whatever you are able to do, whatever you can fit into your already busy days, please do send photos and videos to your teacher as we can't wait to share your fun throughout the week!

*NB – All videos and photos sent mean you provide permission for them to be used on our School social media and website. Please be aware of appropriate dress (school uniform is totally acceptable!) and please be aware of your background and what other information you could be unwittingly sharing. We will continue try to vet these, as always.*

### Paper aeroplane challenge

- Design and make a paper plane → you can work collaboratively with your family to make and decorate your plane however you like – it could be a spitfire!
- Measure → How far can your plane fly?  
→ How long can your plane can fly in the air?  
→ How high can it fly?  
→ What is you design like?

There will be a roll of honour displayed and prizes given.



- **Video** → make a paper plane to star with you in a video. Catch/pick up your plane from the left, and do something entertaining before passing it on to the right. Your video should be no longer than 10 seconds.

*[These videos will be edited together to show how our Shankhill family passed the plane and kept it flying together. We will share this on our Facebook page, Twitter and our website. It will also be shared with the Diocese as part of our Church Schools working together. Please send all videos to [head@shankhill.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:head@shankhill.cumbria.sch.uk) by 12 noon on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May at the very latest. The sooner the better, please!]*

*"This school continues to be good... maintains good quality education... pupils gain a sense of achievement from their lessons... they display excellent attitudes towards their learning... behaviour in lessons and around school is impeccable... Staff are welcoming and inclusive... strong Christian values are promoted well... (results) well above that of other schools nationally" Ofsted 2019  
Staff "strive to ensure that pupils are happy, while making education fun and enjoyable." Parent View 2018*



**Party celebration challenge** <https://ve-vjday75.gov.uk/plan-your-ve-day-party/>

- Design and make a party hat
- Bake buns or cakes to decorate
- Plan and make a healthy sandwich or party snacks
- Make some bunting from paper or fabric
- Design and write invitations for everyone in your household
- Listen to Winston Churchill's speech
- Sing 'We'll Meet Again' with Dame Vera Lynn.
- Listen to and compare music from 1940s. - see link above for playlist
- Create the Union Jack Flag using natural materials like stones, feathers, sticks, leaves, petals...



**Other interesting links:**

- KS2 Bitesize video 4 mins [BBC Teach clip explaining VE day](#)
- [Winston Churchill's speech to the nation](#)
- Newsround <https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/48201749>
- VE Day website <https://ve-vjday75.gov.uk/>
- <https://ve-vjday75.gov.uk/plan-your-ve-day-party/> - recipes from 1945 and a playlist of the popular music of the time!
- Absolute Radio – VE Day music – Absolute 40s playing this week/Friday

**The Basics**

Here is the minimum learning to keep the basics ticking along this week:

1. **Spelling practice** - even just the Look-Say-Cover-Write-Check (5 mins a day) and testing on a Friday so we can see how they're going. We can send a sheet each week for you to print, if that helps.
2. **Lexia** (or **Read Theory** if Lexia completed) - 20 minutes a day would cover some reading and writing skills at exactly your child's next step in learning. Reading a book daily helps too.
3. **Mathseeds** - 20 minutes a day, mixing up tasks between the lessons, driving tests and quizzes would cover basic maths at exactly their next step in learning (or **My Maths and Times Tables Rock Stars** for older children).
4. **Physical activity** - aim to go outside/be active at least every hour of work and for at least 60 minutes every day.

**The Weekly Routine – week 5**

For the majority of you who are sticking to our weekly routine and maintaining excellent levels of learning:

Each week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Spellings</b> 5 mins + 15 min task	LSCWCh (List Phase 7 week 4)  Spelling homework	LSCWCh  Write 5 words in perfect sentences.	LSCWCh  Spelling Frame – Year 2&3 week 5	<b>Spelling test</b>  Email me your score please.	<b>BANK HOLIDAY!</b>
<b>Reading</b> 20 minutes a day  <b>Own choice book</b>	<b>Lexia</b> - 20 minutes  10 minutes reading to an adult	Reading Comprehension task in paper pack – 20 mins  10 minutes reading	<b>Lexia</b> - 20 minutes  10 minutes reading to an adult	<b>Lexia</b> - 20 minutes  10 minutes reading to an adult	<b>BANK HOLIDAY!</b>
<b>English</b> – Handwriting 5 minutes Grammar and punctuation – OR Writing – 20 minutes	Handwriting 5 mins/1 page  English 10 min weekly workout book = 1 section	Pick a page from CGP GPS purple homework book  SPAG.com set task	Handwriting 5 mins/1 page  English 10 min weekly workout book = 1 section	Writing task for VE Day – pick one activity.  SPAG.com set task	<b>BANK HOLIDAY!</b>
<b>Maths</b> Arithmetic 10 minutes  Maths 10-20 mins	Times table Rockstars  Maths 10 min weekly workout book = 1 section	Arithmetic Sheet  Mathseeds - mix of lessons, quizzes and driving tests	Times table Rockstars  Maths 10 min weekly workout book = 1 section	Times table Rockstars  Mathseeds mix of lessons, quizzes and driving tests	<b>BANK HOLIDAY!</b>
<b>Afternoon Learning</b> Pick one a day	<b>VE Day activities from above</b> Please try to send your video clip as soon as possible to allow the video to be made hopefully in time for Friday.		<b>Choose task from BBC Bitesize</b> <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize</a> OR <b>Thought for the day from Harold the Giraffe</b> <a href="https://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/harolds-daily-diary">https://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/harolds-daily-diary</a>		