



School Newsletter – 7th May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

At the end of this week the Nation will remember the 75th Anniversary of VE day. Sadly, many of the events have been cancelled including our own street party that we were planning. However there are still some events on Friday which we can all take part in from home. Please see the [Royal British Legion](#) website for more information.

Reading books

Thank you to everyone who has been coming into school to collect and return reading books. The system is working and we encourage you to come in and get new books when you need them. There are also spare exercise books, pens and pencils here. If you need anything else then just let your class teacher know and we will arrange it for you.

Bank Holiday challenges

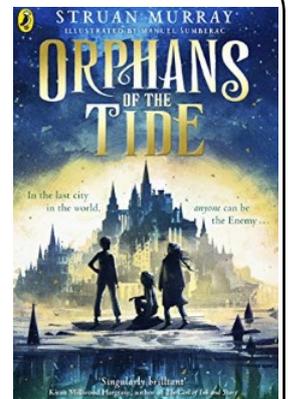
There are some lovely art challenges that Miss Gabriel has set for you for this Bank Holiday weekend. Please share photos of your creations with class teachers and hopefully we can put some on the school website as well. The teachers will not be setting any formal learning on Friday so perhaps you can try an art challenge instead?

Book Review

Mrs Skuce's book review: Orphans of the Tide by Struan Murray.

This book has been described as "a breathtaking fantasy adventure for fans of Philip Pullman's books". When a mysterious boy washes in with the tide, the citizens of the city believe he is a feared character called The Enemy - the god who drowned the world - come once again to cause untold chaos. Only Ellie, a fearless young inventor living in a workshop crammed with curiosities, believes he's innocent. But The Enemy can take possession of any human body and the ruthless inquisition are determined to destroy it forever. To save the boy, Ellie must discover who he really is - even if that means revealing her own dangerous secret.

This book has been widely praised by many other famous authors and is currently on my bookshelf as my next read! Highly recommended for upper KS2 children to read alone, or lower KS2 children to have read to them. I ordered this book from Storysmiths bookshop on North Street and it arrived very quickly - so do give them a look.



VE Day

English Heritage is encouraging people to 'Dance for VE Day' by learning to swing dance - download their VE day at home pack which includes dance steps, a music playlist, plus lyrics to popular songs! (See attached pack)

The Imperial War Museum are hosting an online exhibition of art, poetry and music for the 75th anniversary. The collection will launch on Friday 8th on their website www.iwm.org.uk

Enter Dan Snow's VE Day creative challenge:

How would you tell the story of VE Day today? There are lots of ways you can bring the story of VE day to life.

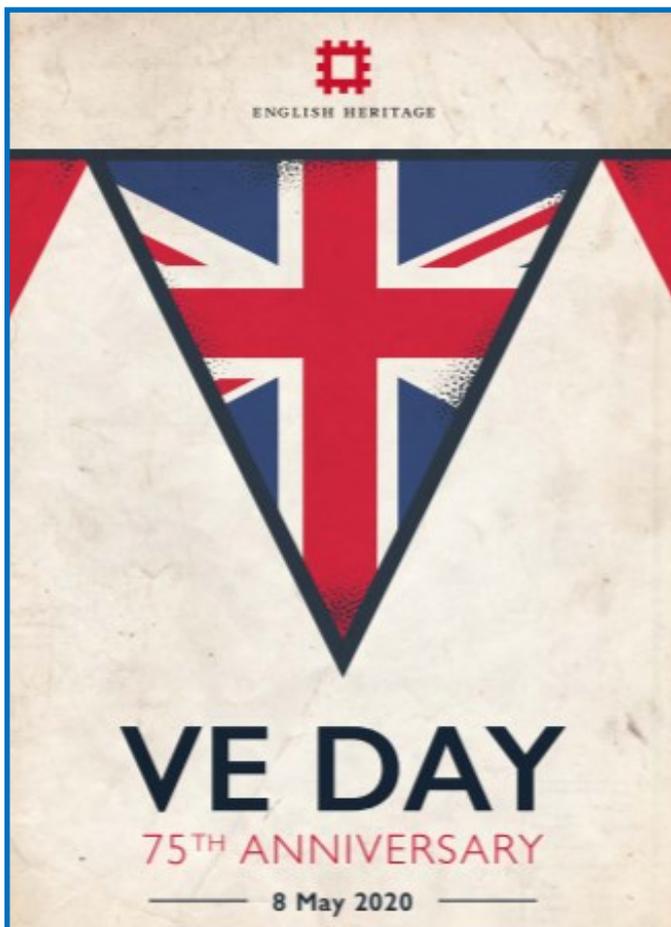
- Make a short video that tells the story of VE day
- Write or perform a poem, song, drawing or other work of art
- Write or perform a short play about VE day

More information about the national competition can be found here: <https://ve-veday75.gov.uk/dan-snows-ve-day-challenge/>

Learning about online safety at home

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/home-activity-worksheets/>

As schools are now closed to most families Think U Know website have provide you with support and resources to help you learn about online safety at home with your child. There are short 15 minute activities for every age group, take a look!



Chick Watch

Goodbye Chicks!

We have loved hatching the chicks from eggs and watching them grow. They have grown feathers on their wings and are now getting too big for their home in school. Bye chicks, we will miss you!

