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### VE Day 75

On 7th May 1945, Winston Churchill made an announcement on the radio that Germany had officially surrendered. He declared that the next day (8th May) would become Victory in Europe day and a national holiday for everyone.

On VE Day, people held big celebrations across Britain. Crowds gathered in public spaces for parades or street parties - to dance and celebrate the end of the war in Europe – even with people they had never met before. It was a time where communities came together.

The largest crowds were in London with one crowd reaching up to 50,000 people celebrating into the night. Huge crowds also gathered outside Buckingham Palace where the King and Queen, their daughters and the Prime Minister appeared on the balcony to greet everyone.

King George gave a speech in which he said:

Let us turn our thoughts to this day of... triumph and... sorrow."

On VE day, there was a mix of feelings. It was a time for celebrating the end of the war, but it wasn't only a celebration.





Despite celebrations and relief that the war was over, for many, it was also a very sad time. There was a lot of damage after the war, and many people's homes were destroyed in the air raids. Millions of people had lost their lives or loved ones in the conflict.

Today is a day to remember. A day to commemorate. A day to celebrate.

Best wishes,

Headteacher

Nick Waldron

# Well done to our Amazing Fund-Raising Bakers!



A small group of Year 1 children have achieved a huge fund raising success! On Sunday, they were busy baking some delicious treats, and asked friends and families to sponsor them. The children have managed to raise £2700 so far and all the money is going to our local NHS trust to support Northwick park and surrounding hospitals during this crisis.

What a tremendous effort - well done to you all!

If you would like to contribute to the fund-raising effort, you can do so here:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rakhi-dhanani

# VE Day - 75th Anniversary - This Week's Community Challenge

Today is a great opportunity for the Pinner Park community to be connected and together.

We hope that you might join in our 'Stay at Home Street Party'.

We'd love you to send in your photographs – we'll create a video compilation of our Pinner Park 'Street Party at Home'. Please send one or two photos (no more please!) to:

share@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk by 6pm on Sunday 10 May.

There is some further information, web links, recipes and craft ideas on our school website:

https://pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk/veday.html



## Help us to win £5,000 for the School Library!



We need your help to win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for our school library – and if your entry is picked, you'll also get £100 of National Book Tokens to spend on yourself!

Anyone can enter, so please encourage all your family and friends to go online and submit an entry. You've got to be in it to win it!

It only takes a moment to submit an entry, just click here and complete the simple form:

https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools

### Advance Warning - Next Week's Prize Challenge!

Next week's challenge requires some planning and imagination but we know that the Pinner Park families can do this!

We're asking you to re-create book covers in the most imaginative way you can. Take a picture of your creation, and also send us a picture of the cover you are creating, to <a href="mailto:share@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk">share@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk</a> We'll show them all off on our school website, and we'll also be choosing our favourite entries to receive a book voucher prize!

Entries should sent, by email, by 6pm on Friday 15 May. Go for it! Here are a couple of great examples...







