



Queensgate Foundation Primary School

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Friday 7th June 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to this, the final half-term of Year 4. As usual there are many things happening and it is a very busy time for all! We are pleased to announce that our final topic is "We'll Meet Again" - Britain during the Second World War. We will be looking at how Britain was affected by the Second World War. We will be covering some of the main events of the War and the Home Front (evacuation, rationing and children.)

As the weather is improving it is vital that your child stays safe in the sun. Sun cream is advised (you should apply this before school) sun hats are a necessity as are water bottles. Girls are permitted to wear navy checked summer dresses or tailored school uniform shorts and boys are allowed to wear shorts.

PE kits (fully named Queensgate kits) should be in school every Monday morning and left all week. If needed they can be taken home and washed over the weekend but should be returned for the following Monday. Please check that your child's footwear is appropriate and fits correctly. Plimsolls or sensible sports trainers may also be worn. We will be doing a lot of athletics this half term out on the field and it is essential that your child's feet are well catered for. Cricket will be Friday mornings.

Sports day this year will take place on Wednesday 26th June in the morning. Please ensure that sun cream, sun hats and water bottles are with them for this day especially. More details will be on the newsletter.

We will be taking the children on a school trip to Havenstreet, please see attached letter. To add to the experience we request that the children come dressed in 1940's attire. They will need a packed lunch (in a brown paper bag if possible - again to add to the spirit of the day.)

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Some Top Tips:

- Think 1930s and 1940s style.
- Think simple, think home-made.
- Checked or flowery dresses for girls or plain blouses with skirts. - not trousers.
- Remember boys under 16 during the war wore shorts!
- Footwear should be flat and lace ups (if possible although school plimsolls would be acceptable)
- Head wear should be school caps, straw hats or berets, try to avoid flat caps.
- Hair: Girls could wear plaits, side partings with ribbons or plain hair clip.
- Boys - gel can add to the war time look but please avoid modern spiky "dos" - side partings are preferred.
- Packed lunch ideas: Cheese, Jam, Marmite sandwiches, Fruit biscuit or cake, no chocolate (remember there's a war on!) If possible could the lunch come in wrapped in either greaseproof paper, brown paper bag or clean tea towel.

During this half term we will be helping to prepare your child for Year 5. The move up morning for your child to meet their new teacher will be Thursday 11th July. We will also be covering Relationships and body changes - this will take place during the week beginning: Monday 1st July 2019. Reports will go out on Friday 12th July, please read through it, sign and return to your child's class teacher (with your comments added.)

Finally, the end of year disco will be on Wednesday 17th July 5.15pm to 7:00pm. The cost will be £1 and it will be a fun way to end the school year.

Kind regards

Mrs. Merwood and Mr. Giles (Year 4 teachers)

Mrs. Wiper, Mrs. Norsworthy and Mrs. Rowsell (Year 4 team)