

Year 2 Home Learning w/c 4th May

This week is the 75th anniversary of Victory Europe Day (VE Day).



VE Day stands for Victory in Europe Day which took place on Tuesday, May 8, 1945. It marked the end of the war with Germany and celebrations happened all around the world.

You can find more information here:

<https://www.iwm.org.uk/history/what-you-need-to-know-about-ve-day>

There is a powerpoint presentation and a video for you to watch.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NEavcsrMoMw>

Task 1: This is a photo from VE day. What can you see in the picture? Why are people celebrating? Can you write a description of what you can see?



Task 2: Imagine that it is VE day. Write a diary entry about the celebrations.



First plan your diary entry using these questions in your writing book.

What was the date?

Why was this day important?

What did you do?

How did you feel?










What do you hope will happen next?

Here are the features of a diary entry. Can you find them in the diary below?

Diary Writing Checklist

Can you remember all the things you need to do to write a fantastic diary entry?

Diary writing must...

	include the date and/or time;	
	be written in the past tense	
	use the words 'I', 'my', 'we' and 'our';	
	write as if I was there;	
	write about the most important events in order;	
	describe feelings;	
	use time linking words, e.g. 'next', 'first' and 'then';	
	talk about where events happened.	

Diary of a Young Pirate

Friday 13th October 1718

Dear diary,

I was woken up at dawn as usual, by the crew singing rude sea shanties on deck. I jumped out of my hammock, pulled on my ragged clothes and then, got on with my daily chores.

First, we scrubbed the deck until it gleamed. Next, we polished the cabin windows until they shone. Then, we climbed the rigging to keep a lookout for land or other ships with our telescope. All I could see was seagulls!



After that, I had a stale biscuit and some rotten fish for lunch. It was disgusting but I choked it down.

In the afternoon, the captain lined the crew up to talk us. He shouted at us for not being terrifying enough and told us that we need to find more treasure. When one of the crew talked back to the captain, they were made to walk the plank! I am really scared of the captain so I kept my head down.

We had a good sing-song before bed and now I'm writing this by the light of the moon while the boat rocks me to sleep. I do love being a pirate but I hope I don't ever have to walk the plank. I don't like sharks and I can't swim!

Pete the pirate



Now write your diary entry. Remember you are writing it at the end of VE day.

Use your plan, the powerpoint and the video to help you.

You can use the template on the next page to write your diaries in your books.

Date: 8th May 1945

Dear Diary...



Picture of our VE Day celebrations

Love from

Task 3 – Write an acrostic poem about peace. Use the first letter of the word to write a sentence about what peace is. Here is an example. There is a template on the next page for you to copy into your books.

People are kind to each other

Everyone is respectful

All people are treated as equal

Caring and gentle

Everyone is safe

