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Year 5 Local History Week 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

For our Local History Study next week, the children in Year 5 are going to be investigating what Whitstable Junior School was like during the Wartime era. Therefore on **Friday 20th May**, we would like to re-enact a typical day in the life of school children at this time. As part of this, we would like to welcome children in Year 5 to come **dressed up as Wartime children**. This is of course optional and any child who comes to school in their normal school uniform will still be very much in keeping with the wartime period and enjoy the activities planned for the day.

In order to support you with this, we have included some ideas of items that you may have at home to help create a costume. Please note that there would have been a mixture of local children and some evacuees attending our school so either outfit would work perfectly.

If you have any questions please come and speak to any of the Year 5 teachers on the playground or email your child's teacher.

Thank you for your support

Many thanks,

Year 5 Team



World War One Girl

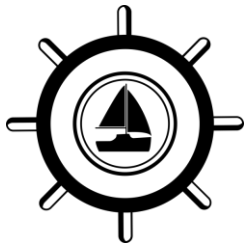
- A plain coloured knee length dress or top and skirt
- A pinafore over the top. The frillier the better!
- Wooly stockings or tights in a plain colour
- A pair of ankle boots or longer
- A wide brimmed hat or straw boater
- Hair in bunches, pigtails, ringlets or the front pulled into a small pony tail with the rest left loose.

If you prefer to do your own research, there are plenty of World War One pictures available online. Be careful to use real pictures from the period 1914-1918 to work from and not ones from fancy dress shops!



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World War One Boy

- A white shirt with a collar
- A dark smart jacket, waistcoat or tank-top
- A plain tie (optional)
- A pair of long shorts
- Long socks
- Short ankle boots
- A flat cap



World War Two Boy

- A shirt with a collar
- A tie
- A knitted tank top, cardigan or jumper in a traditional colour
- A pair of school style shorts (not football shorts!)
- School socks
- School shoes
- A long plain overcoat



If you are playing an evacuee, you can also add:

- A small suitcase or satchel
- A cardboard box on a string for your gas mask
- A label with your name and address on



World War Two Girl

- A knee length dress or top and skirt. Floral prints and patterns were popular.
- A knitted cardigan or jumper
- School socks in a plain colour
- School shoes
- A long plain overcoat
- A beret or wooly hat