
DEAR PARENTS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY,

ON FRIDAY 8 MAY 2020 BRITAIN WILL BE COMMEMORATING THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF VE DAY WHEN THE GUNS FELL SILENT AT THE END OF WAR IN EUROPE.

DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS RESTRICTIONS MOST VE DAY 75 EVENTS AND STREET PARTIES HAVE HAD TO BE CANCELLED OR POSTPONED BUT WE STILL WANT YOU TO BE ABLE TO MARK THE OCCASION, SHARE YOUR PRIDE IN OUR COUNTRY AND HONOUR THE MEN AND WOMEN OF WW2.

WE WOULD LIKE ALL OF OUR SCHOOL FAMILIES TO DECORATE THEIR HOUSES IN RED, WHITE AND BLUE. WE ARE ALSO ENCOURAGING ALL THOSE TAKING PART TO UNDERTAKE THE 'NATION'S TOAST TO THE HEROES OF WW2' AT 3PM ON THE 8TH MAY, FROM THE SAFETY OF THEIR OWN HOME BY STANDING UP AND RAISE A GLASS OF REFRESHMENT OF THEIR CHOICE AND UNDERTAKE THE FOLLOWING 'TOAST' – "TO THOSE WHO GAVE SO MUCH, WE THANK YOU," USING THIS UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THE MANY MILLIONS AT HOME AND ABROAD THAT GAVE SO MUCH TO ENSURE WE ALL ENJOY AND SHARE THE FREEDOM WE HAVE TODAY.

YOU CAN MAKE YOUR OWN SPECIAL VE DAY 75 'GREAT BRITISH BUNTING' TO DISPLAY IN YOUR WINDOW AT HOME. USE WHATEVER YOU LIKE INCLUDING PAPER, CEREAL BOXES, STRING, RIBBON, SWEET WRAPPERS, FELT TIPS, POSTER PAINT, FABRIC, OR WHATEVER YOU CAN FIND.

YOU CAN DECORATE YOUR BUNTING WITH PICTURES OF WHATEVER INSPIRES YOU, WHETHER IT'S THOSE WHO FOUGHT ON THE FRONTLINE OR WORKED HARD ON THE HOMEFRONT, OR WHETHER IT'S A CELEBRATION OF ENDURING PEACE OR YOUR OWN PERSONAL HERO.

***WE HAVE SAVED SOME TEMPLATES ON OUR COMMUNITY PAGE OF THE SCHOOL WEBSITE:
WWW.GREATBARTONPRIMARYSCHOOL.CO.UK/OUR-COMMUNITY/***

PERHAPS YOU MIGHT LIKE TO TAKE PART IN THE #GREATBARTONBAKEOFF AND MAKE A CAKE, OR CUPCAKES AT HOME TO ENJOY IN YOUR OWN GARDEN PARTY AND DECORATE YOUR CAKE IN THE THEME OF **RED**, **WHITE** AND **BLUE**? PERHAPS YOU HAVE A FAMILY STORY YOU'D BE WILLING TO SHARE?

WE WILL OF COURSE BE DECORATING THE FRONT OF SCHOOL TO JOIN IN WITH AND COMMEMORATE THIS EVENT.

WHATEVER YOU DO, WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU! PLEASE TAKE PHOTOGRAPHS OR VIDEOS OF ANYTHING YOU DO TO COMMEMORATE THE DAY AND SEND THEM TO SCHOOL. YOU CAN EITHER EMAIL THE SCHOOL DIRECTLY AT ADMIN@GREATBARTON.SUFFOLK.SCH.UK OR TAG US ON TWITTER USING [@GREATBARTONPS](https://twitter.com/GREATBARTONPS)

IF YOU'RE SHARING ONLINE PLEASE USE THE HASHTAGS #GREATBARTONBUNTING #GREATBARTONBAKEOFF #GREATBRITISHBUNTING #VEDAY75 OR #BBCMAKEADIFFERENCE
