Dear Parents / Carers

As part of our history unit, studying the impact of World War 2 on our local area, the children in Year 6 will be attending Helston Museum on Thursday 5th November.

The Museum is running two separate sessions for each class, within school time. Holywell class will attend in the morning, returning to school in time for lunch. Fistral class will attend after lunch, returning to school by the end of the school day.

We would like to invite the children to attend school on that day dressed as a WW2 evacuee. This is not compulsory but will add to the impact of the day, especially as they will experience life in a school during that time. Please do not feel under any pressure to buy a costume. Dress up ideas include plain shorts/skirts/dresses, knitted jumper/cardigan, long socks/tights, flat cap/knitted hat. DIY accessories ideas include:

- Gas mask box (made from a small shoe box/tissue box)
- Small suitcase (made from a shoe box/cereal box)
- Bring a small teddy bear (as many WW2 children evacuated with a favourite toy)
- Create a paper ration book with coupons inside
- Create 'Identity papers' e.g. evacuation ticket, family photographs

This trip will be vital to their understanding of the unit of work, as the museum are planning a bespoke visit; we will be focusing on the people of Helston and the impact that the war had on their lives. We will then finish our unit thinking about remembrance and taking part in the minutes silence at Grylls Monument on November 11th. Consent for this trip is covered in our annual consent form, however if you would not like your child to attend, please speak to your class teacher or ring the school office.

To help cover the cost of the museum workshop, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £3.50 per child. This will be available to pay on Parent Pay on Monday. Please can all payments be made by Friday 30th October. Unfortunately, if we do not receive enough contributions, the trip may not be able to go ahead.

Please do contact the school if you have any questions regarding this trip.

Kind Regards

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