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Dear Parents,

This term we are investigating what it would have been like to be a child living in Midhurst in 1939. We hope to record our work in the form of a diary. As part of this topic, we are taking the children to the Imperial War Museum. This promises to be an excellent day. We are visiting the The Children's Gallery and having a workshop session about Life on the Home Front. Your child will need a packed lunch for that day (no glass bottles or chocolate). They need to wear school uniform. We shall be leaving school at 8.40 and returning between 4.30 & 5.00. Obviously this is quite a long day but something that we feel will inspire the children in their learning. If your child suffers from travel sickness, please give the appropriate medication. Please could you send £15.50 to school by Friday 22nd January.

All the work we shall be focusing on this term is associated with this theme. Geography will give the children the opportunity to look at what Midhurst was like in the 1940's as well as look at the countries in Europe who were involved in the war. In Music we shall be listening to some famous wartime songs and learning to sing some. In Science we are investigating ways of keeping warm. In RE we are looking at how people's faith affects the way they live and in PSHCE we are looking at friendship, the module is called *Getting on & Falling Out*. We are learning some traditional country dances in PE just as children in World War Two would have done. We continue to have French lessons and of course Maths and Literacy. Literacy will be closely linked with our work about the War.

This term is the term of the personal project. The children are keen to get underway with this. It is an opportunity to spend time on something that is of personal interest to your child. Please support them, while allowing them some independence in their study. I have already given the children a planning format to use. It is important that they choose carefully when selecting a topic in order to ensure that they can easily find information about it and also can

really enjoy the research. Please let me know if there are any problems. The project should be completed by the end of the term. This is the only homework that they will have this term apart from the weekly spelling, tables & reading that is part of the established homework routine. PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR CHILD WORKS ON THEIR PROJECT EVERY WEEK!

Thank you for your invaluable support, we have great fun as a class in our learning & look forward with enthusiasm to finding out more about life as a child in World War Two.

Please return the slip below together with payment for the school trip.

Yours sincerely

Mrs E Willing Mrs K Lovett

I give permission for my child ----- to visit the Imperial War museum on Tuesday 26th January. I enclose £15.50 to pay for this trip.

Signed -----.