

St Sebastian's Primary School Knowledge Organiser

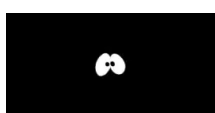


Spring 1

History

Year 6

Vocabulary

Anderson shelter		Half buried in the ground and with earth on top, they protected people from bomb blasts.
blackout		All windows and doors had to be covered at night to stop enemy aircraft seeing house lights.
Blitz		The sustained aerial bombing against Britain by Nazis. Blitz means lightning in German.
censorship		The governments or other powerful groups setting limits on people's freedom to speak or publish.
civilian		A person who is not serving in the armed forces.
evacuation		Designed to protect people, especially children, by moving them to areas of less risk.
gas mask		Issued to all civilians at the start of the war, gas masks were used to protect from gas attacks.
munitions		Provisions for military undertakings, such as weapons, equipment and ammunition.
propaganda		Information or opinions that are made public to promote a cause.
rationing		Ration cards were given out and only a certain amount of food/clothes per family was allowed.
shrapnel		Metal fragments scattered by an exploding shell or bomb.

Local Facts

Munitions were made in Grantham, which made it a target for German bombing during the Second World War .

89 people from Grantham were killed by bombs.

St Vincents Hall in Grantham was the Second World War HQ of 5 Group Bomber Command between October 1937 and November 1943 and was where **Operation Chastise** of May 1943 - immortalized in The Dambusters film - was

Timeline

1st September 1939	Germany invades Poland
3rd September 1939	England declares war on Germany
10th May 1940	Winston Churchill replaces Neville Chamberlain
12th May 1940	German forces enter France
1940	Battle of Britain First bombs fell in Grantham
1941	USA declares war on Italy and Germany
1942	British troops win back North Africa
1943	Italy surrenders to the Allies
17 May 1943	Dambusters raid
6th June 1944	D-Day landings on Normandy beaches
30th April 1945	Hitler dies
8th May 1945	VE Day
2nd September 1945	Japan surrenders and the end of war declared

Evacuation

During World War II, over **3.5 million children**, along with some of their teachers, mothers with very young children, pregnant women and people with disabilities, were evacuated from the cities to the countryside, away from the bombing in the cities.

Evacuation happened in waves, beginning on **1st September 1939**.

All evacuees had to take their **gas mask**, **ration book** and **identity card**. When they reached their destination, a **billeting officer** would arrange a **host family** for them.

Rationing

Supply ships were targeted by **German bombers** and it was necessary to conserve as much food as possible.

Rationing meant that each person was only allowed a **fixed amount of food**.

Ration books were issued, with **coupons** that showed people how much of each item they were allowed.

People were also encouraged to **'Dig for Victory'** and grow as much of their own food as possible

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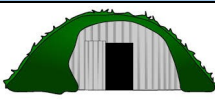
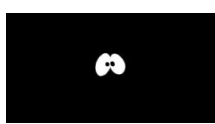


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