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Useful information (term dates, times, etc.) Click [here](#) **Future Dates:** these are on our partner Newsletter – Weekly at a Glance Click [here](#)

O Lord, bless our school, help us to Take Care of ourselves, each other, the world and with our work.



Amen



Click on the hands to take you to a video of our school take care prayer in sign language.

Our House Teams ~ Our Christian Distinctiveness

Striving for Life in all its fullness John 10:10



Message from Mr Tomlinson

Village Show

Thank you if you popped over to our school stall to say hello. It was a wonderful day for the local community.

Congratulations to our entry winners and all those who went beyond expectation to enter a category. The costumes were amazing and it was wonderful to watch the procession leave our school playground and start the show off.

Sustainability and climate action plan - St Peter's recognised as a Flagship school!

Recently and this coming year and beyond, St Peter's is recognised as a flagship school for Let's Go Zero!

<https://letszero.org/>

We have shared with our school community our recent school carbon footprint and future action points. We hope everyone will be on board as this is certainly a '**All in this together**' approach.

Please take time to read and look through our recent sustainability and climate audit.

<https://www.eastbridfordstpeters.co.uk/sustainability-climate/>

Our sustainability journey so far...

Buildings and operations Energy efficiency survey carried out by Becky Valentine, resulting in:

- Window solar blinds/ privacy film installed. LED survey and installation plan in place Energy Efficiency INSET resulting in staff discussion around:
- Carbon impacts of IT communication,
- Using pupil monitors effectively for lighting, turning off smart boards, using blinds efficiently, decluttering radiators, recycling, low radiator setting, Supporting children in using hand dryers (aim: to reduce or eliminate paper towel usage) New roof in 2022. Three rooms with new insulation. Victorian block now has walls and floor insulated. Energy:
- 16 ° standard temperature for heating Food: ➤ Inspirational example of tailored menu offered Waste:
- Couple of uniform swap shops per year ➤ Recycling established and almost embedded Travel:
- Pupil commute survey conducted and shared with community Curriculum and Culture: ➤ Engaged leadership and staff
- Rota Kids has run for several years with focus on sustainability this year ➤ Ambition for inspirational curriculum review

Countdown... to the end of term (see parents weekly for more)

Monday 8th July - Open Afternoon for current parents, to sit with your child and share their work over the year. 1.30pm-4.30pm

Tuesday 16th July (afternoon and early evening) & Wednesday 17th July (early evening) - Year 6 & 5 Production performance.

Monday 22nd July - Whole school Potted Sports morning (**Parents required, currently we don't have enough - please contact the office if you can help ALL morning**).

Tuesday 23rd July - Race for Life morning. ALL welcome to join and run or come along to encourage.

Wednesday 24th July - Last day of term

Future dates/link at the top of the page: Link has been fixed. Please let us know if you have any issues again.

Useful information - link at the top of the page.

Thank you for your continued support. We value your trust in us. Don't let issues grow.

Together in Achievement. **Take Care.** Mr Tomlinson. Head Teacher

SPIRITUAL MORAL SOCIAL CULTURAL

Thankfulness

Celebrating Trinity

Seeing the truth

2Corinthians13:13

(SMSC) & British Values.
Theme for next week:

For take care homework this term, UKS2 were tasked with finding out about how they are linked to WW2 by talking to older members of their family. They produced informative posters and powerpoints and shared the very interesting findings with the class.

MY LINKS TO World War

My Great Grandad was in the Royal Engineers serving in Turkey in WW1 and my Great Granny worked in a factory making bullets for guns. Great Grandad was too old to fight in WW2 so was at home with the family helping the war effort.

My Grandad was in Primary school during World War 2 in a village called Fawkham in Kent, about 20 miles east of London. He used to go to school like ours but with only two classrooms and two teachers. They had lessons in the air raid shelter if the siren sounded to warn of enemy aircraft approaching. When the siren sounded 'all clear' they returned to the normal classrooms to continue the lessons.

He lived half a mile from the school at number 12 in a row of 14 houses close to the village green.

Every night Granddad slept in a corrugated metal air raid shelter (called an Anderson shelter) with his parents, to protect them all, in case there was an air raid. During the night, Grandad's mum and dad slept in a bunk bed down the sides of the shelter and Grandad slept in a small bed at the foot of the bunk beds.



Grandad's Father Said "It's not up to Us!"

On August the 18th 1944, a warm evening, Grandad and his parents went to bed as usual in their air raid shelter. It was an uneventful night and they slept well.

At around 7:00am the wind up alarm sounded and Grandad's Father went down the garden to their house to make a cup of tea, to bring back to the shelter. He opened the door, almost fell into the shelter and shouted "It's got us!". Almost immediately there was a huge explosion. Grandad realised that they were scared. After a little while they opened the door carefully and looked out, not knowing if their house would be there or not. The air was full of dust and as it cleared they could see the house. A V1 Flying bomb had landed at the other end of the row of houses and numbers 3-5 were badly damaged. Fortunately, no one was killed or seriously hurt. When they were able to return to the house they found the windows were all blown out, the ceilings had fallen down and there was dirt and dust everywhere, but everyone living close to the green was safe, even though some houses were demolished.

A copy of the newspaper cutting from the next day (below) shows the damage.

The V1 flying bomb had crashed because it had caught on the steel cable which was held up by a Barrage Balloon. Barrage balloons were large balloons filled with hydrogen (so they floated). They held up steel cables to 'trip up' enemy aircraft and the flying bombs being sent across the channel (to London) and over Kent where Grandad lived. I am grateful that Grandad survived.

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My Grandfather's War-time Journey 1941-1945

The map illustrates the grandfather's war-time journey. It starts in Glasgow, Scotland, and follows a path through England (Liverpool, Derby) to France (Salisbury, Dover, Calais). From there, it goes to Italy (Milan, Florence, Venice, Bologna, Rome, Anzio), then to North Africa (Algiers, Tunisia, Libya), and finally to Sicily. The return journey goes from Sicily to Calais, then to Dover and Derby. The map also shows Germany, Spain, and Denmark. Various symbols represent different events: red crosses for battles, purple dots for cities and towns, and different colored dashed lines for specific parts of the journey.

James O'Neill

my grandfather
Sergeant, Royal Engineers Regiment
Joined the Army in 1940
Returned home in 1945

Key

- - - Glasgow to Liverpool via Derby and Salisbury
- - - Troop ship from Liverpool to Algiers
- - - Marching from Algiers to Biseria
- - - Expeditionary Force Libya to invade Sicily
- - - Expeditionary Sicily to Anzio Landing in Italy
- - - Italian campaign from Anzio to liberate Rome and the Northern Italian cities
- - - Troop train Milan via Switzerland to Calais
- - - Troop ship Calais to Dover
- - - Dover to Derby and home at last !!!
- x Battles
- Cities and towns

His War medals:

~Timeline~

- 1941 - Glasgow to Derby, military training
- 1942 - Derby to Salisbury plain, combat training
- 1942 - Troop ship Liverpool to Algiers, Torpedoed by German u-boat
- 1942 - Landed Algiers November 1942, Battle of Algiers, Allies victorious
- 1942/43 - Battles across North Africa, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya
- 1943/43 - Allies defeat German and Italian armies
- 1942/43 - Capture thousands of German troops at battle of Biseria
- 1943/44 - British and Allied troops capture Sicily, Italy surrender
- 1944 - British and Allied troops land in Italy, maintained at Anzio
- 1944 - Rome liberated by allied armies
- 1944/45 - Battles with retreating German troops all the way across Italy
- 1945 - War over, granddad left for England on troop train to Calais
- 1945 - Ship from Calais to Dover and on to Derby to marry my grandmother

My Grandfather's War-time Journey 1941-1945

What my family did in WWII

NAVY

Harry Clark (great grandad) was an electrical mechanic in the navy. He was stationed in Scotland.

Betty Hurst (great grandmother) was in the WRNS (Women's Royal Naval Service). She served around the world.

ARMY

John Briens (great grandfather) was a Captain in the Royal Engineers and served in Burma.

People who served in Burma in WWII got a special medal called the Burma Star



AIR FORCE

Eileen Lovett (great grandma) was in the WAAF (Women's Auxiliary Air Force). She was stationed in Wales and in London.



CIVILIAN

Robert Clark (great grandpa) served as a Chief Inspector in the Middlesbrough Constabulary. He had served in the army in WWI.



Eddie Shale

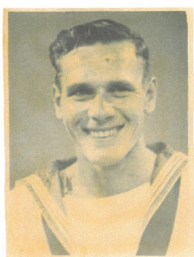


William Frederick Willis

William Frederick Willis was a Signaller and progressed to a petty officer in the Royal Navy and served on the following ships!!!

HMS Naiad - 02/07/1940 to 11/12/1941
HMS Cleopatra - 12/12/1941 to 27/05/1943
HMS Aurora - 28/05/1943 - 10/11/1943
HMS Dido - 11/11/1943 - 13/11/1943
HMS Pembroke (training depot at Chatham) - 14/11/1943 - 12/02/1944
HMS Bonaventure - 13/02/1944 - 02/05/1944
HMS Pembroke - 03/05/1944 - 03/09/1944
HMS Mercury - 04/09/1944 - 20/10/1944
HMS Pembroke - 21/10/1944 - 10/05/1945
HMS Ganges - 11/05/1945 - 19/06/1945
HMS Pembroke - 20/06/1945 - 29/06/1945
HMS Mayana - 30/06/1945 - 29/07/1945
HMS Briganza - 30/07/1945 - 08/05/1946
Bombay Pool - 09/05/1946 - 21/05/1946
HMS High Flyer - 22/05/1946 - 21/09/1946
HMS Bambara - 22/09/1946 - 24/09/1946
HMS Norfolk - 25/09/1946 - 11/06/1947
HMS Pembroke - 12/06/1947 - Left Royal Navy by purchase.

Because he missed his family and wanted to see his newborn baby girl.

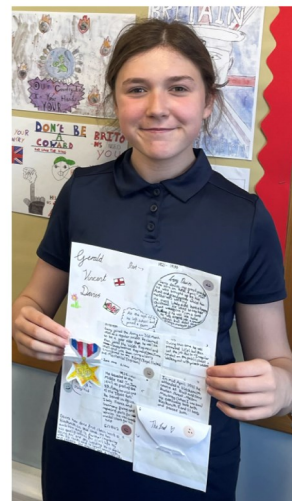


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Sunk South of Crete
11th March 1942

HMS Naiad



Freda Brook



What did Freda Brook do in WWII?

In WWII Freda Brook was in the WAAF (Women's Auxiliary Air Force), the women's branch of the Air Force, was created in 1939 to free men from the RAF for front-line duties. By late 1943, 183,000 women had joined up.

Women undertook many key roles in the WAAF. Freda was a plotter. A plotter would be receiving information from radar stations and the Observer Corps about the number and direction of incoming enemy aircraft.

Plotters tracked these raids in real time, pushing round wooden markers, each representing a raid, on a large table map. Based on the intelligence, RAF fighters would quickly be deployed to do battle with the enemy.

Did she enjoy it or was it too hard for her?

Freda said that WWII was sometimes a bit scary, but she also really enjoyed working for the WAAF. She made lots of friends and found it very interesting.

Who was she?

Freda Brook was my great-grandma and was born in 1920. She sadly passed away in 2017.

She joined the WAAF when she was 19 years old and did it for around 5 years.



Maya

My World War 2 project.

- My Father's family originates from the village of Kleinschellen in Transylvania.
- It was a part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire for several years. It was a Saxon village with its church in the top centre.
- Johann Weber, my great-grandfather was a Romanian army soldier who was forced to join Wehrmacht in 1940 as an infantryman.



-Katarina Weber, my great grandmother was held by the Russians. Because they spoke German and the men were forced into the German Army, the Russians regarded them as their enemy.

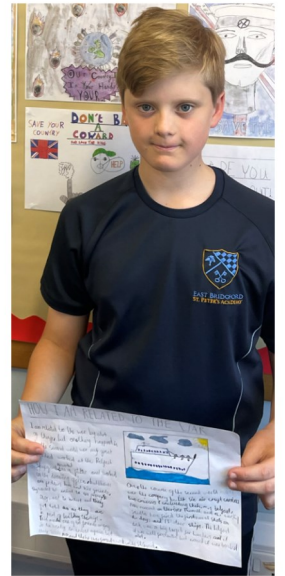
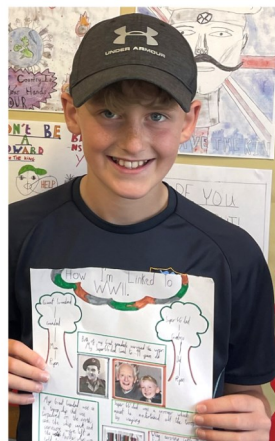
-Katarina and all the women were then taken into a Russian camp. Her baby (my grandfather) was left with her sister Sophia to be looked after. Whilst in camp she was allowed to send letters home.



One day he received news that Johann was safe in England. He was in Sandhurst (Clives) and worked on a farm as a prisoner of war. He wasn't allowed to write home until arriving in England in 1946. On November 6th 1949 Katarina was released from the Russian camp after being away from home for 5 years.

On September 9th 1958 after 15 years apart Katarina and Hans arrived in England and were re-united with Johann.

Hope this warmed your hearts ❤️.



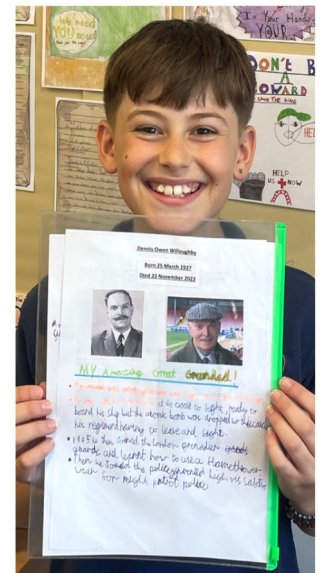
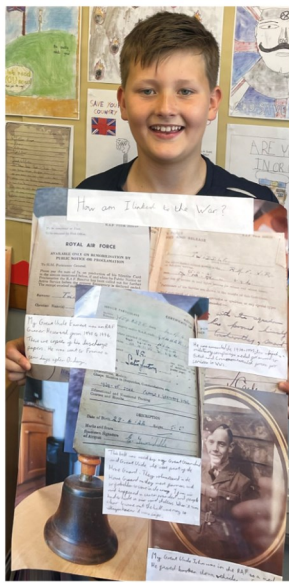
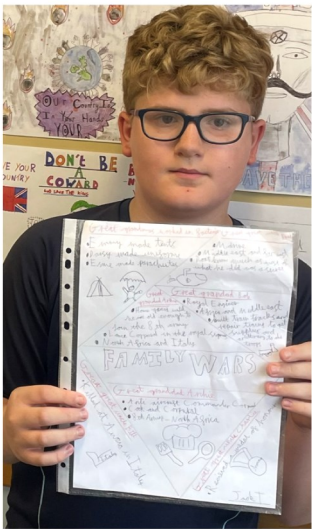
My Grandad and Grandpar in WWII

My Grandad

My Great Grandpar

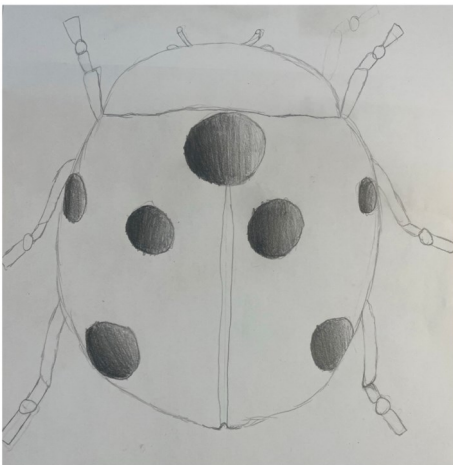
My family don't know much about him as he died when my Great was just 17 years old, but what we do know is that he was a radar operator in a home gun battle ship. One day he got ill and couldn't go to battle but that day his ship got sunk and all the crew died & he was thinking of going to the bottom.

My Great Grandpar was a single operator in a anti-mine ship. This meant he didn't take part in battle instead he worked as a single operator in a long operation taking single mine boats to your enemy. Time he took part in D-Day by 4 days he got a clean ring the English chanta grand mine another carrier.





'This week in art, Y6 have been focusing on using colour, tone and shade to recreate images of bees, butterflies, beetles and other insects. More to come in our 'pop art bees' and innovate lessons!'



Reading Club is changing!

A big thank you to the PTFA for enabling Megan and Oliva to sell books at the BBQ, they raised £23.50!

Also, thank you to the girls for making book marks which you give out free during lunchtime.

So from next week! Reading club is changing to 'Calm Club'.

Main changes are: Y1's can now come along. It's only Monday to Thursday. This is a quiet place for calm and relaxation.

Reading or just quietly chilling. Enjoy the bean bags, blankets, lights and sounds.

If anyone has any beanbags they no longer need, we would very much love them at Calm Club. Thank you.



Calm Club

Reading Club is changing!

The library will be open Monday to Thursday lunchtime for Y1 to Y6. Must have eaten before you come.

Gentle calming music will be playing.

starry sky lights will be projected onto the ceiling.

This will be a place where you can have a quiet time.

Reading or relaxing.



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Ballet



Rosette Wins

Lola (Reception) and Harry (Soon to be in pre-school) were very proud of their rosette wins on Saturday at the village fair.

Lola obtained 3rd place for cress in a novelty pot (that she had also made herself)

And Harry came in first for his decorated rock of a scary sea creature!

School Swimming

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We are so proud of Ezra & Eleni for always giving their all at swimming. Ezra has achieved a fantastic 50m & Eleni has achieved an incredible 1000m.

Martha has worked really hard in the run up to this week. On Saturday she passed her primary ballet assessment award and earlier in the week she moved up a stage in swimming!! We are all so very proud of you, Martha. Well done!!! 🍀



Ella in London

Ella is very excited to share some pictures of her time in London. She went to the natural history museum and had a double decker tour of London!



Dance

Layla took part in the EB village show at the weekend, dancing four different routines in a range of styles. She did such a beautiful job and as always had the most radiant smile. It was really lovely to see her friends in the crowd, smiling and supporting her, so a big thanks to them!



PTEA Thank You's

The PTEA would like to say that the following children be commended for their brilliant help at last week's PTEA BBQ.

Toby and Hugo Burton, Ethan and Evangeline Fisher, Megan Hughes, Ben and Samuel Richards, Aidan Malia, Josh Good, Lani Vaughan, Alicia Birkin, Nancy McKean, Max Powell, Zach Turner-Haslam, Ethan Perry, Thomas Pullen and Jake McDowell. The event brought together the community and also thank you to Councillor Scott Burton for his help.