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Class 4 and 5 Trip

Dear Parents,

As you may be aware, our current topic is World War Two. To complement our topic work, we would like to take the children of Class 4 and Class 5 on an evacuation experience day on Thursday 23rd November, all within the school day.

This would entail the following;

- Arriving at School, at the normal time, in costume (please see the attached letter)
- Getting ready to be evacuated; making name tags, collecting our gas masks etc.
- Walking up to Bentham Town Hall to meet the lady who will be leading us through our evacuation experience.
- Catching the 11.26am train from Bentham Station to Hellifield as part of the evacuation process.
- Being 'picked' by our host families (volunteers) at Hellifield station.
- Having our lunch (Please bring packed lunches on this day)
- Getting to know what life was like as an evacuee living with a different family and writing letters home.
- Getting the train back to Bentham before the end of the school day.

If all of the above is not already exciting enough, the whole trip is completely free! Having sourced this experience through the Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust means that all costs are covered by them. There is just one favour we ask of any parents who are free on this day...if you are able, please could you come to the train station for 11.15am to wave your children off on their evacuation experience.

Please fill in the attached slip and return it to your child's class teacher before Friday 10th November.

Many Thanks

Mrs Harrison and Miss Thwaite

I give / do not give (please delete as appropriate) consent for _____ (Child's name) to attend the Evacuee Experience day on Thursday 23rd November.

Signed _____ Relationship to child _____



Evacuee Experience Day

Thursday 23rd November

As part of our topic in collaboration with the Yorkshire Dales Millennium trust we are going to have an exciting experiential day in which the children are in role as evacuees. To help with creating a sense of realism it would be wonderful if your child could think about what they would wear in the 1940's and dress up for the day. Teachers will be dressing up too!

 the fun hub



If you would like to get involved at all we would love it if some of the parents could wave us off from the platform at Bentham Station. We will be departing on the 11.26 train. Please do feel free to get dressed up as well!

Girls

- Dress or skirt and shirt/blouse you could use a school skirt.
- Woolly hat or beret,
- Tights or long socks
- School shoes or wellingtons.
- Woollen jumper or cardigan
- The main difference is that they wouldn't have worn fleeces or sweatshirts.

Boys

- Many boys wore long shorts but school trousers would do.
- Plain socks
- Shirt
- Woollen jumper, or waste coat.
- Cap or woollen hat.
- School shoes, boots or wellingtons
- The main difference is that they wouldn't have worn fleeces or sweatshirts

Please see your Class Teacher should you be struggling to find an outfit for the day.