

## **Promoting our National Identity**

In Year 6 we promote our National Identity in a number of ways. The World War II topic is our "significant turning point in British History" focus (2014 Curriculum). We teach the children how people's lives have shaped our Nation and how Britain has influenced and been influenced by the wider world. Through a cross curricular approach, we uphold fundamental British values within a wide range of activities such as solving WWII themed word problems in Mathematics, researching the issues that caused the start of the war, studying the messages given to the British people through propaganda in art. Tolerance and respect for other Faiths is specifically covered within the study of Judaism alongside the WWII topic. We aim to develop young people to work together as a community and the topic culminates in a VE style Christmas Party.

Across the year, belief in personal and social responsibilities, rights, democracy, freedom and liberty are explored within PSHE lessons. Respect for the rule of the Law and UK institutions underpins these values.

Each year the whole school participates in a Remembrance Service when we remember those who lost their life in the World War I. The service includes singing the National Anthem and listening to the Last Post. Poppies are sold in each classroom. As part of our Year 6 studies, the children learn about the War using the British Legion support material. Poetry from that period is studied and the children write their own Remembrance poems.

Throughout the school, values such as politeness, curtesy and respect are expected by all pupils and staff. British values incorporates how adults treat the children, how adults treat other adults, how we all behave towards one another.

On St George's Day, children are encouraged to wear Guiding and Scouting uniforms to further promote our British values.

Local, National and International charities are supported through a variety of events.

National pride in major sporting events – such as watching World cup matches as a school and the Olympic Games.