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Year 4 World War II study

12th May 2023

Dear Parents

As part of our World War Two History topic, Year 4 will be visiting RAF Cosford Air Museum on Monday 22nd May. We will be travelling by train from Bilbrook train station to Cosford as it is only 9 minutes away! Children need to be in school for **8.30am** as we will be leaving school at **8:45am** prompt as the train is due at 9.21am, giving us enough time to walk to the Bilbrook train station. Children will return before the end of the day and can be collected from school as usual.

Please can children wear full school uniform with a warm, waterproof coat and suitable shoes for the walk around the museum. The cost of the visit will be **£7.40** per child, this includes return train tickets and two workshops at the museum – The spirit of the Blitz and Artefact handling.

These workshops focus on an aspect of British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge - the Blitz and life on the Home Front. Year 4 will gain an understanding of life for children during the Second World War by discovering the role of the ARP warden, experiencing a mock air raid, and much more. Pupils will use a range of sources and museum artefacts, including original RAF uniform, to develop their depth of knowledge and inspire curiosity. This experience of life led in the shadow of the Blitz will help pupils understand some of the complexities of life in Britain during this time.

- Viewing original artefacts
- Viewing original RAF uniform
- Student enquiry
- Multi-sensory experience - students will experience a mock air raid
- Telling the story of the RAF and civilians during the Blitz
- Multi-sensory experience - students will view artefacts in our Second World War Hut
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Payment for the visit is to be made through ParentPay. When you make the payment, you are giving permission for your child to attend the trip.

Your child will need to bring a packed lunch and a drink in a named carrier bag. Please ensure all packaging can be thrown away including drinks bottles, as everything will be disposed of. Please only send a suitable amount of food for the trip.

We look forward to an enjoyable day.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Hill

Year 4 Teacher