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Dear Parents

Years 5 and 6 are visiting the Stockport Museum and Air Raid Shelters on Thursday 18th October 2018 as part of their history topic on 'World War 2'. We will leave school at approximately 9.00am and will return to school by 3.15pm ready for the children to be collected at 3.30pm as usual.

As they will be taking part in historical role play, all children and volunteers are expected to step back into Wartime Britain and arrive as Evacuees in Stockport to be billeted. The museum staff are expecting Evacuees from the Channel islands not our school. They will be given information about Life on the Home Front by their interaction with various characters, the 'hands on' activities and sing to keep up their spirits. All children should wear a label with name and address and appropriate 1940s dress (suggestions on next page). They should bring their gas mask box which houses an authentic packed lunch (see next page).

Please sign the form below if you wish your child to take part in the visit. We ask for a voluntary contribution of £15.00 (or £7.50 for pupils eligible for Pupil Premium*) per child towards the cost. Unfortunately it will not be possible for the visit to go ahead unless we receive sufficient contributions from pupils.

We will need parents to help with supervision and would greatly appreciate any offers of assistance.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Takashima
Headteacher

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Years 5 and 6 Trip to Stockport Museum and Air Raid Shelters – Thursday 18th October 2018

Name: _____ Class: _____ Year: _____

☐ **I give** permission for my child to visit Stockport Museum and Air Raid Shelters (Thursday 18th October 2018) and enclose £15.00 (£7.50*).

☐ **I am available** on Thursday 18th October 2018 and would like to join Year 5 and 6 on their trip to Stockport Museum and Air Raid Shelters

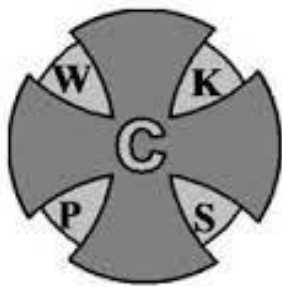
☐ I understand that it will be confirmed whether I am needed or not as soon as possible.

☐ **I am not available** on Thursday 18th October 2018 to join Year 5 and 6 on their trip.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

* Pupil premium includes families eligible for free school meals in the last 6 years, armed forces families and children who have been 'looked after children'. We do not want cost to be a barrier to **any** child participating. If finance is a problem please make an appointment to discuss this in confidence with me.





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Some ideas to authenticate your Evacuees' Day.

Here are some **suggestions** for your ration lunch.

Gas Mask Box

Cardboard box – e.g. lunchbox size or shoebox size

Ration Lunch

Wholemeal bread

A scraping of margarine

Small amount of grated cheese

Spam, luncheon meat, corned beef or sardines

Meat or fish paste

Egg (but this was probably dried egg, not fresh)

Salad

British grown fruit in season e.g. apples, pears, plums, peaches, cherries etc.

Plain biscuits e.g. rich tea or custard creams

Homemade cakes (probably not chocolate flavour)

Sandwiches were wrapped in greaseproof paper (baking paper is a good substitute)

Squash or water to drink. Drinks were not sold in plastic bottles but for health and safety reasons please recycle a plastic drink bottle.

Salt and Shake crisps

Clothing - some **suggestions** for period dress.

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Boys</u>
Cotton dresses	Shirt
Blouses	Balaclava
School pinafore	Knitted pullover
Skirts	Short trousers
Knitted cardigans	Fair-isle 'tank top'
Plaited hair	
Ribbons in hair	