



# St Matthew's Friday Feature



Friday 20th January 2023

## World War II Workshop

"On Thursday 19th January our class, 5/6LW, took part in a WWII workshop with Steve.

At first we were greeted by Steve and learnt many WWII facts, for example, did you know Adolf Hitler wasn't German, he was Austrian? He spoke about air raid shelters and how they had air raid sirens frequently.

After break Steve came into our classroom and talked about unknown soldiers. We talked about the unknown soldier in Westminster Abbey and how people can go visit thinking it's their relative.

After lunch we talked about the countries forming allies with Britain in WWII. We were then quizzed on the Commonwealth flags. We then had a discussion on the importance of women and the equipment soldiers used in WWII. Finally we pretended to be soldiers with Sergeant Williams". By Max and Izy



# Viking Workshop

## Dates for your Diary



"In 45CW, we had an important visitor, Steve, from Humph Histories!

We spent the whole day having fun and learning about our history lesson, invasion.

In the morning, we learnt about when the Vikings invaded and when others have taken over them over time.

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| 23 January           | Miss Hawthorn class<br>Visit to Kingswood<br>For Stone Age day |
| 23 January           | WWI and II Workshop<br>with Miss Steventon's<br>class          |
| 26 January           | Young Voices   |
| 7 February           | Dogs Trust assemblies  |
| 20 to 24<br>February | Half term  |
| 3 to 14 April        | Easter break   |
| 26 to 27 April       | Year 2 Kingswood   |
| 9—12 May             | Year 6 SATS  |
| 29 May to<br>2 June  | Half term  |
| 5 June               | PD Day   |
| 6 June               | Back to school   |
| 7 to 9 June          | Year 6 Arthog  |
| 21st July            | Break up for summer  |

We also learnt about how they used Viking longships and how to sail them. They would often use oars to row or rely on wind power. For Vikings needing to use oars, they would play a game that we now know as tug of war.

We all were able to have a go at it with one team being the swords and the other being the axes. We had 3 rounds and depending on which team had the most people winning a certain round then they won altogether.

After that, we were able to find out some more about the food they had. We were put into groups of 4 to choose the 5 fruits out of the 15 we had, having 2 raffle tickets given to the team that found all 5 correctly first.

Next, we were able to start our own shields by painting the boss (middle of the shield) black. We then made a leather part to block swords from around the shield. We could then paint the shield in a pattern of our choice.



In the afternoon, we played a quiz and had a vicious Viking visitor!"

by Blake

## Commando Joe

Courage—Samuel

Compassion—Kai

Trust—Kweku

Truthfulness—Lucas

Friendship—Max

