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Dear Parents & Carers,

Commemorating the 80th Anniversary of D-Day 6th June 1944 - 6th June 2024

On Thursday 6th June 2024, our Federation of schools is going to be commemorating the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings by asking the children to come into school in red, white and/or blue clothing. On this occasion, we would prefer there to be no football kits worn.

Across the day, classes will complete a variety of different activities related to D-Day, for example attending an assembly about the significance of this historic event, making medals, visiting the immersive classroom for a viewing of specific D-Day content and learning more about who was involved in the D-Day landings. It is important that children understand where in their historic timeline D-Day would have occurred.

In the coming weeks, we will also be looking forward to a visit at the Junior school from an ex-serviceman who is going to talk about D-Day and what it meant during the Second World War. We hope a selection of military vehicles will also visit each school to show the children what was used at that time and how these vehicles would have helped the war effort.

To continue our learning of this time period, we are also at the Junior school going to commemorate the Appeal of 18th June 1944 by Charles De Gaulle, who called his French countrymen and women to resist German occupation and control. Ms. Bibbey is going to enable the Years 5 and 6 pupils to make their own fabric parachute with cardboard drop canisters containing messages in French about the Resistance written by the pupils. We will then try to fly them together. This activity will be repeated next year.

We hope all the children across the Federation enjoy learning about this period of history and take great pride in completing their activities.

Yours sincerely,

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