



17th April, 2020.

Re: VE & VJ Day

Dear All,

As we approach the 75th Anniversary of VE (Victory in Europe) Day on 8th May and VJ (Victory over Japan) Day on 15th August, we have come together to share a message with Schools, Churches, Youth Clubs and Organisations across the whole Borough of Chorley.

Sadly, due to the Coronavirus, many proposed commemorations to mark these anniversaries have been postponed. However, there has been an endeavour to utilise social media to ensure that the anniversaries are acknowledged. Just as our community and country pulled together during World War Two, we are all working together now to overcome the current situation.

We had anticipated that our 'Message' (attached to this letter/email) could be printed and displayed or read out for students/congregation/members/staff, just like those issued by the Royal family in 1946 and 1995. As this may not currently be possible or practical, we would like to ask that it be issued and shared electronically to students, members and whoever you feel would like to receive it. Another suggestion is that it could be attached to existing online newsletters so that it can be read at home or shared within other community groups.

Please feel free to share this special VE/VJ Day Message far and wide and help to raise awareness of the involvement of Chorley & District in World War Two.

Yours faithfully,

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