St. Michael's Church of England Primary School

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Our school values: Respect · Kindness · Challenge · Forgiveness · Perseverance

Thursday 5th November 2026

Year 6 Educational Visit – Susan's Farm WWII Evacuee Experience

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to inform you that Year 6 will be visiting Susan's Farm on Wednesday the 2nd of December for an exciting, immersive day exploring what life was like for children evacuated to the countryside during the Second World War.

This hands-on experience will allow the children to step back in time and experience life as wartime evacuees. Throughout the day, they will take part in a range of activities, including:

- Receiving their own evacuee identity tag and ration book.
- Caring for farm animals, feeding chickens and collecting eggs.
- Exploring the orchard and vegetable garden and learning about the *Dig for Victory* campaign.
- Completing farm tasks to earn their wartime rations.
- Cooking and enjoying their own traditional wartime lunch or snack.
- Solving clues during a wartime farm mission.
- Taking part in an air raid shelter challenge.

To make the experience even more memorable, we would love the children to dress as wartime evacuees for the day. Think simple 1940s clothing, such as shorts, skirts, cardigans, flat caps or dresses, with a small suitcase or bag if they have one. There is absolutely no need to purchase anything special, and ordinary clothes are perfectly fine. Staff will also be joining in the fun!

This promises to be a fantastic opportunity to bring our history learning to life, develop our understanding of wartime Britain and create some wonderful memories.

We are asking for a contribution of **£15** to help cover the cost of the visit. This can be paid online via Arbor or in cash to the office. Please can you complete and return the below permission slip by **Friday 27th November 2026**.

Thank you for your continued support. We are really looking forward to this exciting day!

Kind regards
Lorna Smith

Susan's Farm WWII Evacuee Experience – Wednesday 2nd December

I give my consent for _____ (pupil's name) to take part in the WW2 Evacuee Experience at Susan's Farm on Wednesday 2nd December.

I enclose £15 cash towards the cost of the trip ☐ OR have made payment on Arbor ☐

Signed: _____ Date: _____