

20th December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

After Christmas we will be starting our WW2 topic. During the topic, we have a couple of fun activities planned!

1. **On Friday 17th January**, we will have a visit from a **virtual reality workshop delivered by PrimeVR**. We think this will be a fantastic opportunity for our pupils as we travel back in time and learn about some of the key events that unfolded during WW2.
2. **On Tuesday 21st January**, we will be visiting the **National Emergency Services Museum** in the city centre. We will discover how Sheffield's steel industry made it a target for German bombing, how raids affected the city and how the emergency services coped with help from the civilian population. We will be travelling to the museum using public transport, leaving school at 9.00 am so children will need to arrive promptly at 8.45am to register. The session finishes at 2.00pm and we will return for the end of the school day. The children will need to bring a packed lunch (no nuts) and drink. School uniform will be required to be worn. If you are able to accompany your child's class on this visit please let their class teacher know.
3. During the project, we will also be baking VE Day 'Celebration Cakes' using a ration recipe (date tbc). An ingredient and allergy list will be sent home prior to baking for parents to check.

The cost for the three activities will be £13.45. This will cover the VR hire, the museum visit including transport costs and money to cover the cost of ingredients for baking. The £13.45 will be payable by ParentPay. Please log onto ParentPay to make your payment and give permission for your child to attend. If your child is eligible for free school meals or if you need support towards covering the cost, please see the school office. Please note, if your child is bouldering on the 17th of January a separate fee will be set up on ParentPay minus the VR cost.

Many thanks,

The Y6 Team

Information about the Virtual VR workshop

(Please note, it is recommended that pupils with epilepsy or pupils who are prone to seizures consult with their doctor before using a VR headset. If your child has epilepsy, is prone to seizures or may not be able to use a VR headset, please consult with a doctor and inform the school reception before signing this permission slip as an alternative device can be provided for accessing this workshop).

More details regarding this virtual reality workshop are included below. Please read through this before signing the permission slip and feel free to contact info@primevr.co.uk if you have any further questions.

PrimeVR has been delivering workshops using virtual reality since 2017. You can see what schools, teachers and parents think of our workshops by checking out our reviews on Google and Trustpilot. Our workshops have been specifically designed for schools to help bring learning to life and they are delivered by an experienced member of the PrimeVR team in a controlled and supervised environment.

During our workshops, we implement the following safety measures:

- A full safety briefing is delivered at the start of every workshop and VR usage will be supervised by an adult at all times. A safety video will also be shared with every class prior to our arrival.
- Pupils share one headset between two and only use VR for a maximum of 15 minutes during our workshops (split up into 1-2 minute segments). In between using a VR headset, we engage pupils by asking questions, creating discussion and by setting mini activities.
- All VR headsets are controlled by a central iPad/tablet which allows a member of the PrimeVR team to deliver specific educational content.
- Pupils will always be required to sit down whilst using a VR headset.
- All headsets are cleaned using Clinell Universal wipes in between classes.
- Please note, an iPad/tablet can be provided as an alternative device for anyone who doesn't want to use a VR headset during their workshop.

We use Pico G2 4K VR headsets during our workshops. You can find out more information about this headset, including any safety guidelines, by visiting <https://www.picoxr.com/>. We believe the additional measures we've put in place, alongside adult supervision, provides a safe environment for all pupils in KS2 to use VR for short periods of time for educational purposes only. If you have any further questions about anything, please don't hesitate to contact us at info@primevr.co.uk. Please note, if you do not want your child to use a VR headset, please inform the school and we will be able to provide an iPad/tablet as an alternative device for accessing our workshops.