

Prior Learning

Children have learnt the chronological history of Britain from prehistory, Roman invasion to Anglo-Saxons, Picts and Scots; to Vikings invasions and the Battle of Hasting in 1066. Children have studied crime and punishment through the ages from Romans to present day. Pupils have learnt about the Victorian era.

*World War 2*

1939-1945

Key Facts

Children who lived in towns and cities were evacuated to rural areas like the countryside for their safety.

During the Blitz, British cities were bombed by the German Luftwaffe every night for 11 weeks (bar one night).

At the time Neville Chamberlain was the British Prime Minister and he declared war on Germany when Hitler invaded Poland.

6 million Jewish people were killed during the Holocaust and millions of soldiers killed in battle - we have memorial days to remember these people.

Glossary of Vocabulary

**Allies** - group of nations who supported Britain in WW2: USA, Soviet Union and France.

**Axis** - the alliance of Nazi Germany, Italy and Japan.

**Propaganda** - government produced communication designed to influence people

**War effort** - the support of the British nation in order to win the war using all resources available

**Luftwaffe** - Germany's military air force

**Military** - the armed forces of a country

Operation Pied Piper was the name given to government initiative to evacuate children during WW2. 800,000 children were evacuated from major cities like Manchester, London and Glasgow.

Key People



Adolf Hitler



Neville Chamberlain



Winston Churchill



Anne Frank

How did the government keep Britain safe during the Blitz?

