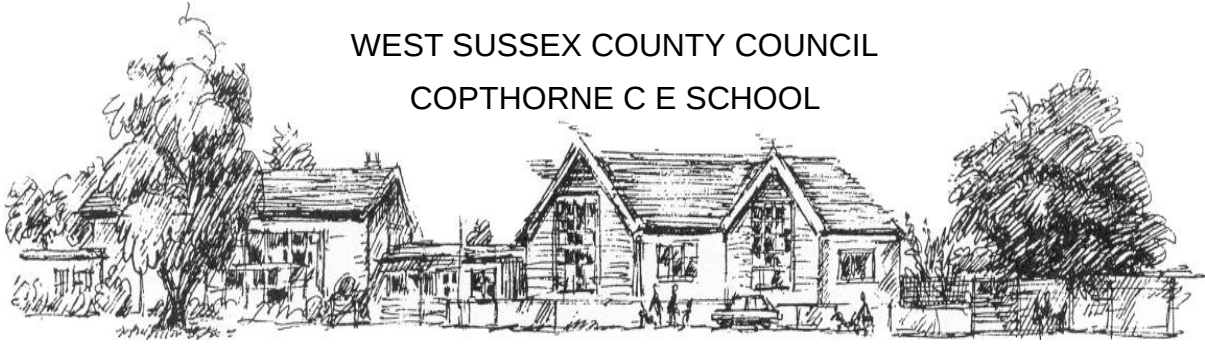


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10th September 2025

YEAR 6 AUTUMN TERM 2025
LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are looking forward to teaching your children this academic year. This Autumn term, we have planned the following learning experiences as part of our topic on World War II.

World War II Day with Rainbow Theatre performance – 26th September 2025

We have planned a WWII day in school, where the children will get to discover what life was like during the war. They will become history detectives using replica artefacts and experience what it might have been like during WWII. In the afternoon, there will be a theatre performance in the hall performed by Rainbow Theatre, titled 'We'll Meet Again'.

To become fully immersed in the day, we would love for the children to come dressed in WWII-themed clothing. We would also like to invite children to bring a WWII-themed packed lunch (if they do not have hot dinners). Please see the attached PDF for clothing and lunch ideas. Please don't feel obliged to buy a costume; you can keep it simple and put an outfit together using what the children already have at home.

Circus Skills Workshop – 15th September 2025

As part of our Year 6 activity week, all pupils will be taking part in an exciting circus skills workshop, where they will learn practical circus skills and develop their resilience and determination.

Food Technology

Within DT, we will be making bubble and squeak and exploring wartime rationing.

Design Technology

We will be designing, making and evaluating Anderson Shelters through a woodwork project.

Art

Children will be studying the work of Henry Moore and creating sculptures inspired by his famous artwork of Londoners taking shelter in the underground during the Blitz.

The total cost of these learning experiences will be £15 per child. We have included a reduction due to the missed swimming session in the summer term.

Please can we ask that you return the attached permission form and the money for the experiences Monday 15th September 2025.

Under current legislation, we are obliged to point out that the cost is a voluntary contribution. However, unless all parents who are willing to contribute do so, trips and events will not be able to take place. Limited financial assistance from the school may be available in certain cases, but please contact our headteacher in confidence as soon as possible, if you are unable to contribute the full cost so that arrangements can be made.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Huxley and Mrs Garrard

YEAR 6 AUTUMN TERM 2025 LEARNING EXPERIENCES PERMISSION SLIP

Dear Mrs Huxley and Mrs Garrard,

I give permission for _____ in _____ class

to take part in the **Autumn Term 2025 learning experiences and Food Technology cooking.**

☐ I enclose £15 to cover the cost of the AUTUMN TERM 2025 LEARNING EXPERIENCES (please make cheques payable to Copthorne Junior School).

☐ I have paid via online banking. Please use your child's name as the reference.

Lloyds Bank – Copthorne CE Junior School
Account Number: 02333669
Sort Code: 30-92-38

I give / do not give (please delete as appropriate) permission for my child to eat the produce made at school (all ingredients are nut free).

My child has the following allergies:

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My son/daughter and I understand that high standards of behaviour will be required at all times during these sessions. I also understand that while the school staff in charge of the party will take full reasonable care of the pupils, unless they are negligent, they cannot be held responsible for any loss, damage or injury suffered by my son/daughter arising during or out of the sessions.

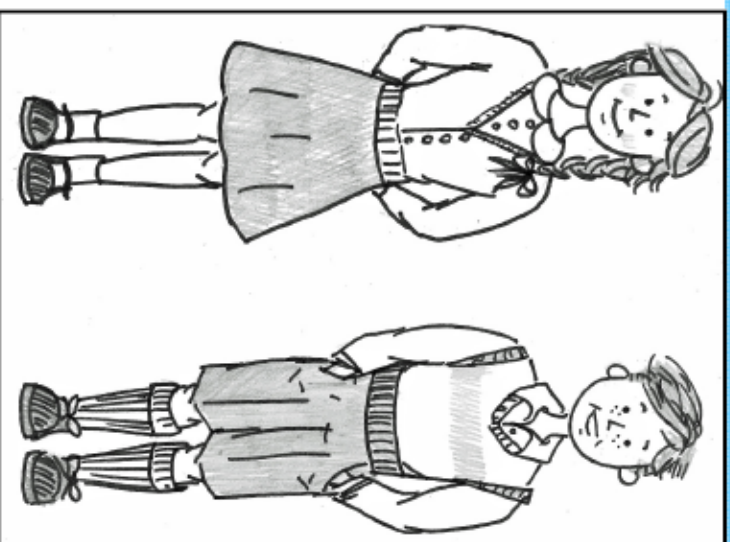
Signed _____ Date _____

1940s costume and lunch suggestions

Girls

- Straw hat, woolly hat or beret
- Hair worn loose, half up or in plaits
- Hair tied with ribbons or clipped with a slide
- Plain skirt and blouse
- Knitted v-neck jumper or cardigan
- White long socks or ankle socks
- Plain shoes
- No logos

If the weather is cold please bring a coat with you. Don't worry, it doesn't need to be of a 1940s style!



Boys

- Cap
- Hair combed in a side parting
- Plain shirt with a collar
- Knitted v-neck jumper or tank top
- Short trousers i.e. grey/black 'school' shorts or cut down old school trousers
- Blazer or plain jacket
- Long socks
- Dark shoes or boots
- No logos

If the weather is cold please bring a coat with you. Don't worry, it doesn't need to be of a 1940s style!

Lunch

You might like to consider bringing a wartime lunch to eat. In a time before supermarkets and fast food, there was no crisps or plastic wrapped chocolates or biscuits! Food could be brought wrapped in a cloth (i.e. tea towel) a basket, brown paper bag or in a tin rather than a plastic lunchbox. Food to include:

*Corned beef, Spam or paste sandwich *Bread with jam, margarine, honey or marmite *Pasty

*Apple, pears, plums, scrubbed carrots or tomatoes *Pickled onions

*Fruit cake *Plain biscuits *Gingerbread men *Jam tarts

*Squashes and cordials *Water

Cheese, meat, chocolate, crisps, bananas and exotic fruits are to be avoided if you want to be authentic!