



St Paul's C of E Primary School – Knowledge Organiser

Name of Topic

A study of local history – World War 2

Year Group

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Key Vocabulary and Spellings

1	Anderson Shelter	Made of two curved corrugated sheets of steel, bolted together at the top and sunk into the ground to keep people safe when bombs were being dropped.
2	air raid	An attack by armed airplanes on a surface target.
3	Blitz	The Blitz was the name given to the bombing raids that Germany launched against Britain in 1940, during World War 2.
4	invasion	The movement of an army into an area during war.
5	evacuation	The process of moving people away from an area where they are in danger to a safer location.
6	rationing	Limiting people's access to food, clothes, and fuel.
7	gas mask	Designed to protect the wearer against harmful substances in the air such as gases.
8	Winston Churchill	Prime Minister of the United Kingdom during World War Two.
9	Anne Frank	A Jewish girl who was forced into hiding with her family during World War 2.
10	Adolf Hitler	A German leader of the Nazis during World War 2.

Top 5 Topic Facts

1	The war started on 1st September, 1939. The war ended on 2nd September, 1945.
2	The war started when Germany invaded Poland.
3	Adolf Hitler was the leader of Nazi Germany. He convinced the German people to reclaim land and improve the German economy.
4	Children were sent away (evacuated) from their families to stay safe away from the bombings.
5	Gas masks had to be carried at all times. If people were found without their gas mask they were fined.



Key Investigations/Questions

1	Why was food rationed?
2	How has Chipperfield changed since World War 2?
3	What impact has World War 2 had on life today?