

## Celebrate VE Day At Home #VEDay75

The weekend of May 8th – 10th is the 75th anniversary of Victory in Europe Day (commonly known as VE Day), marking 75 years since the end of the Second World War. This year, the government moved the May bank holiday to VE Day to allow the nation to remember the sacrifice so many made.

It had been hoped that communities could run a whole host of activities but given the restrictions due to COVID-19, these have had to be cancelled. However, nationally there are a wide range of digital resources for use on social media channels which can be used by schools, colleges and early years settings for them to use in the run up to VE Day:

- **A national toolkit** has been developed and shows how people can get involved in marking #VEDay75. The council has already started to push messages out on its social media channels to let residents know how they can celebrate VE day safely at home whilst adhering to social distancing measures.

This includes [tips for hosting a tea party at home, colouring, bunting, creative challenge for children and more](#). Stories of our local heroes will also be included in the Council's social media channels in the run up to VE Day.

- Nationally there is a call for people to share their stories by posting photos and stories of their families connection to WW2 on social media using **#VEDay75**.
- A - Z graphics: shared on Instagram ([@dcmsgovuk](#)) with information about VE Day and the end of the Second World War.

**The Royal British Legion** has also organised a programme of activities include a VE Day 75 livestream, national moments of Remembrance and thanksgiving, and activity packs for individuals and families:

- **VE Day Learning Pack** - Available on [The Royal British Legion website page](#) alongside a VE Day 75 activity pack produced by the National Memorial Arboretum.
- **Royal British Legion Schedule**  
(NB – Additional activity will be announced by the Government)

11:00 – 11:02	– Two Minute Silence
11:15 – 12:00	– The Royal British Legion VE75 Livestream
20:00 – 21:10	– VE Day 75: The People's Celebration, BBC One
21:00	– 'We'll Meet Again' Singalong
- Members of the public can access the activities on [The Royal British Legion website page](#) and on social media using **#VEDay75** and **#VEDay75Live** during the livestream.

Keep up with the latest news, events and general information on Stockport Council's social media channels on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).