

# WW2 & WARRINGTON

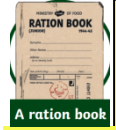


## How did WW2 start?

- The leader of Germany, Adolf Hitler, had plans to take over other countries.
- In March 1938, Germany invaded and annexed Austria.
- On 29th September 1938, British, French, German and Italian leaders signed a treaty called the Munich Agreement. However, in August 1939, Hitler broke the agreement and invaded Poland on 1st September.
- Britain, France and Poland had made a pact to support each other, so Britain and France declared war on Germany.

## Burtonwood Air force base

- **This army base** was in Warrington.
- The base was opened in 1940 for WW2 by the RAF and in 1942 it was used by the USA during the war.
- The base was home to 18,000 American servicemen at the end of the war.
- The base officially closed in 1991 and since then the runway and most of the buildings have been demolished.
- RAF Burtonwood heritage center was opened on part of the base (Now Gullivers World) to remember this important part of our local history.



## Rationing during the war

- Rationing meant that each person was only allowed a fixed amount of food.
- Ration books were issued, with coupons that showed people how much of each item they were allowed.
- People were also encouraged to 'Dig for Victory' and grow as much of their own food as possible.
- Clothing ration books were issued and people were encouraged to 'make do and mend'

## Evacuees

During World War II, over 3.5 million children and vulnerable people were evacuated from the cities to the countryside, where it was believed they would be safer from bombing. **All evacuees had to take their gas mask, ration book and identity card.** When they reached their destination, a billeting officer would arrange a host family for them. **Evacuation happened in waves, beginning on 1st September 1939.** Other waves occurred at the start of the Battle of Britain and at the start of the Blitz

Key vocabulary	Meaning
Annex	To take another country's land and make it part of your country.
Allies	A country who helps another country for military purposes. Share a mutual benefit to become friends.
Ration	To only be allowed a certain amount of food/household goods/clothes to avoid shortages during the war.
Nazi Party	A German political party with racist and anti-Jewish ideas, led by Adolf Hitler.
Air Raid	Bombs are dropped off a plane to cause destruction on a target on the ground
Evacuee	For safety reasons a child/vulnerable person moved away from the city to the countryside during the war.
Invade	To enter and try to take over someone else's country by force.
Blitz	An intense German bombing against the UK in 1940-1941.

1 <sup>st</sup> Sept 1939 Germany invade Poland	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept 1939 Britain and France declare war on Germany.	10 <sup>th</sup> July 1940 The Battle of Britain begins.	7 <sup>th</sup> Sept 1940 The Blitz began	22 <sup>nd</sup> June 1941 Germany invade the USSR.	7 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1941 Japan bomb Pearl Harbour in the US.	16 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> May 1943 The Dam busters Bombing raid is carried out.	6 <sup>th</sup> June 1944 D-Day landings.	7 <sup>th</sup> May 1945 Germany surrenders.	8 <sup>th</sup> May 1945 Winston Churchill announced the end of WW2 with Victory in Europe.
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# Science topic: Name that living thing!

- Living things need to be able to do range of things in order to survive.
- Task: Can you match the describe to each of the life processes which spell our MRS NERG? Write the correct life process in the boxes provided.

Life Processes
<b>M</b> ovement
<b>R</b> eproduction
<b>S</b> ensitivity
<b>N</b> utrition
<b>E</b> xcretion
<b>R</b> espiration
<b>G</b> rowth

Plants and animals use oxygen (from air) to help turn food into energy.

Baby animals grow into adult animals  
Seedlings grow into bigger plants

Green plants make their own food using sunlight, carbon dioxide and water.  
Animals eat plants and/or other animals.

Animals have babies.  
Plants produce seeds which grow into new plants.

Animals usually move their whole body from one place to another, whereas plants move towards the light. Plant roots grow down into the soil towards water.

Plants and animals get rid of (excrete) carbon dioxide (a waste gas). Humans breathe it out.  
Deciduous trees get rid of waste products when their leaves fall in autumn. Animals also wee!

Both plants and animals react and respond to what is happening around them, e.g. plants turn and grow towards light; animals see and hear danger and move away.