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Friday 6th October 2017 YEAR 9s



## **STIBBINGTON**

On the 6th October Year 9s went to Stibbington as war evacuee children. Pupils dressed as war evacuees and made their own gas mask and identity labels at school in preparation for their evacuation to the country from the city.



They were greeted at the railway station by the billet officer Ms. Smith. **Pupils** experienced life as an evacuee by walking through a field and the village of Stibbington to see where wartime children would be staying with their host families. Then they learned about how the water was cleaned to provide fresh water and that there was once a prison camp for the enemy soldiers based in the field that they walked through.



At lunchtime, pupils were given a wartime lunch of jam, spam or cheese sandwiches, cinnamon cake and an apple. After lunch pupils spent some time outside on the school playground using the toys

children had during the war time and some pupils enjoyed the challenge of using the metal hoop, stilts and the spinners.



Our pupils practised putting on gas masks when they heard the loud clicking sound. Then they had to move safely to the air raid shelter when the siren was sounded, indicating the threat of enemy planes above. Emily and Matthew thought that the shelter was "really dark and quite cold, long and not much space."

