



### **Appleton with Eaton's VE Day Events**

#### **Sunday 4th May**

##### ***Special Commemorative All Age Church service: 9.40 for 10am***

There will be a children's 80th VE day craft activity and coffee and croissants available for all in the church from 9.40am with an all age service starting at 10am

Also come to see the display of a large dove made by the school on the church wall, full of messages, poems or prayers for peace from the children.

#### **Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> May**

##### ***Celebrate in The Plough Inn's garden!***

**1-5pm:** VE Day celebration at The Plough Inn's garden in Appleton. The following will be on offer:

1-5pm BBQ (cash and card accepted)

1-2pm Morris Dancers

2-5pm Live jazz band playing 40s music

4pm Competition judging!

- Judging of war time honey cake Anzac biscuits Copies of the cake and biscuit recipes can be found in the shop and on the Parish Council website: [Appleton with Eaton Commemorates VE Day! – Appleton With Eaton](#)
- Fancy dress competitions: Adults and children are encouraged to dress up in 1940's outfits. Children could dress as evacuees or school children of that time. Children, did you know that some children from London were evacuated to Appleton during the war?

All afternoon:

- Racing Pigs game
- Human One-Armed Bandit game
- More Children's activities
- Green Appleton activity and display
- And... a hot air balloon themed fairground ride for children and adults!



### ***Village Hall Display***

**2 – 4pm:** Join us in the village hall for an exhibition of memorabilia and photos of Appleton with Eaton during the war

### ***Appleton Bell Tower***

**Between 2:15 – 3:15pm:** Members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild will ring Appleton's church bells

### ***Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> May***

#### **6.00pm at the War Memorial: candlelit 'Pots for Peace'**

**Be part of remembering the 80<sup>th</sup> VE Day, by writing your prayer, poem or message for peace and placing it in a pot.**

How will it work?

a) There will be 80 jam jars (or more if required) with paper inside for your message, available for you to collect from the shop and the church.

b) Write your prayer, poem or message for peace and put it in a pot. Each pot will have a red, white or blue lid (thanks to the cubs and scouts), and an electronic tea light inside.

c) The pots can either be left in the church or shop (they will be collected), or brought by you to the War Memorial on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

d) Join us for a short community tribute at 6.00pm on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May, to honour the 80<sup>th</sup> VE day and see the tea lights switched on.

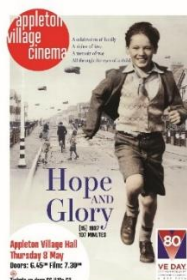
We are hoping the tea lights will then last through the weekend until Monday 11<sup>th</sup>, after which the pots will be collected! \_

Collection boxes for the Royal British Legion will be available in the shop and church if you would like to make a small donation

**6:30-7:30pm:** The bells will be rung as part of a country-wide initiative to recreate the ringing of bells at that time and date in 1945.

Appleton Cinema in the village hall

**7.30 pm:** Appleton Cinema will be showing the film Hope and Glory about World War II in London in the village hall.



***We hope to see you there!***