



Homefires and Havens: Amersham in the 1940s Trail

5 Further down the road was a place where prisoners of war were kept in WWII. They often made gifts for children. What gift would you give to them?

4 Walk through Barn Meadow and look across at St Mary's School. Children were evacuated from London to Amersham during WWII. In what ways was Amersham different to London in WWII?

3 Walk down Church Street towards Rectory Hill. Turn on to School Lane and then left down Pondwicks. You will see a big group of old buildings, the Maltings. Children as young as 14 worked here during the war making balloons and dinghies. How many hours a week do you think they worked?

2 Walk out of the gardens and past St Mary's Church to Church Street. Stop to look at Badminton Court. In the 1940s this became a perfume factory, where many local people worked. If you had a factory, what would you make?

6 Walk along the river in Barn Meadow until you come to the bridge at Mill Lane. What can you see in the river Misbourne?

8 Walk back up the High Street to the museum. Use your free ticket to find the 1940s objects inside!

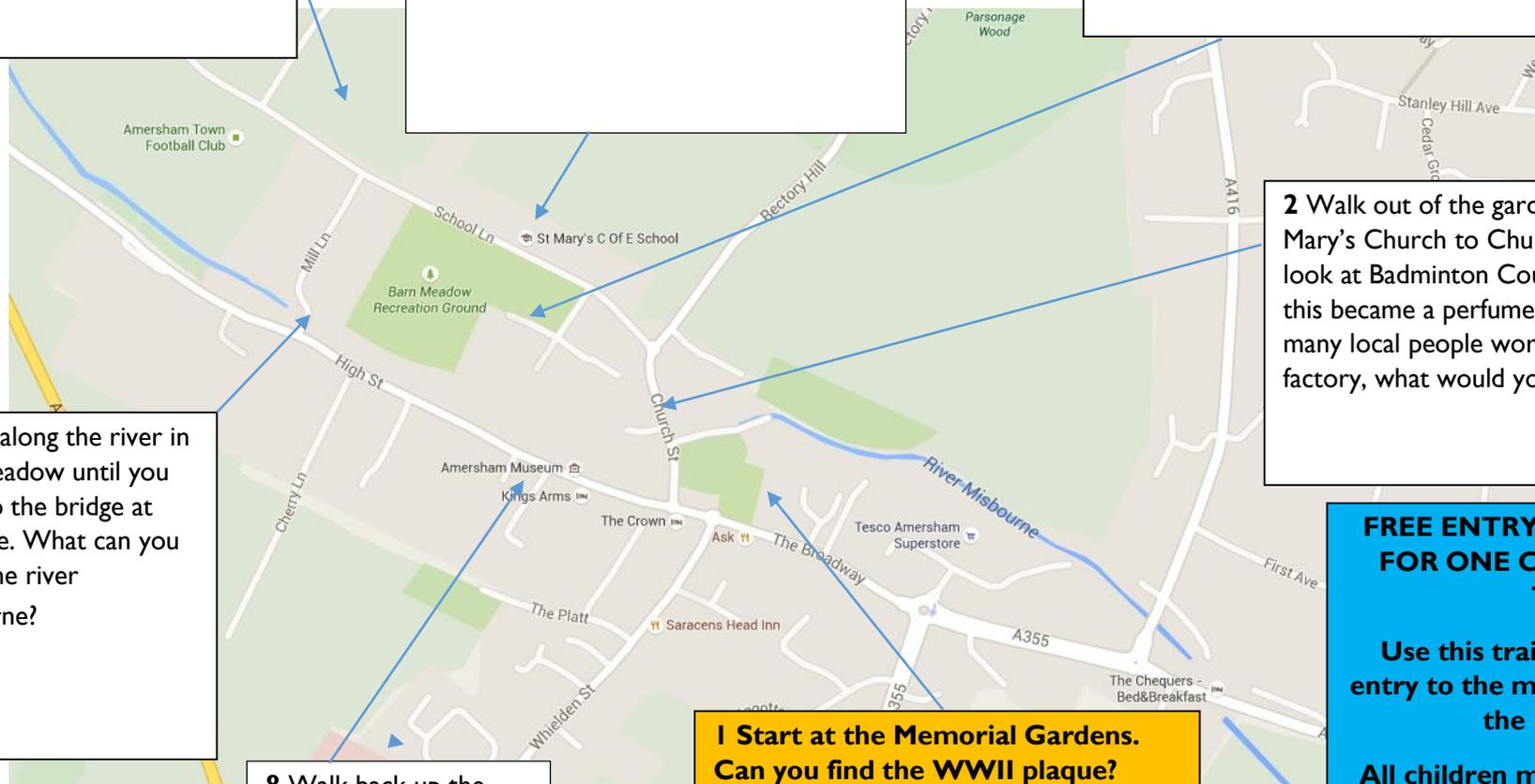
1 Start at the Memorial Gardens. Can you find the WWII plaque? How many people from Amersham lost their lives?

FREE ENTRY TO THE MUSEUM FOR ONE CHILD WITH THIS TRAIL!

Use this trail sheet to gain free entry to the museum and complete the 1940s trail.

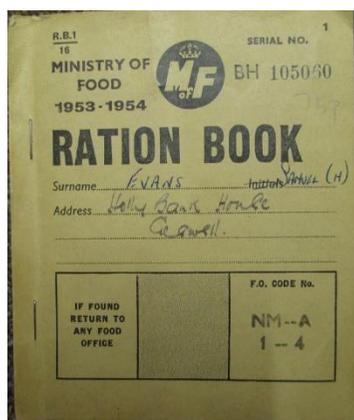
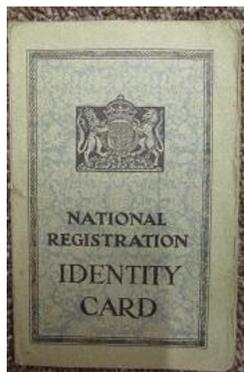
All children must be accompanied by a paying adult.

Offer from May-Aug 2015



In the museum can you find the following 1940s items?

Tick the box when you find them. What are they and what were they used for?



What was your favourite toy or game?

Could you make a traditional toy? Why not enter our 1940s competition for children? →



2015 Jean Archer Award

The Jean Archer Award is an annual award for children aged 4-11. This year's award asks children to make, draw or write something about Amersham in the 1940s or about old toys or buildings. There are prizes for every year group.

Why not enter? You could be a winner!

For more details go to

<http://amershammuseum.org/schools-and-research/jean-archer-award/>