

## *SINGING ASSEMBLY KS2 May 2020*

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*I've added your new song to practise but please keep going with Vera Lynn 'We'll Meet Again', 'It's a Long Way to Tipperary' and 'Lambeth Walk', 'The White Cliffs of Dover'.*

### ***'Hang out the Washing on the Siegfried Line'***

#### **We're going to hang out the washing on the Siegfried Line**

Mother dear, I'm writing you from somewhere in France,  
Hoping this finds you well.

Sergeant says I'm doing fine, a soldier and a half  
Here's a song that we all sing, this'll make you laugh:

We're going to hang out the washing on the Siegfried Line,  
Have you any dirty washing, mother dear?

We're going to hang out the washing on the Siegfried Line,  
'Cos the washing day is here.

Whether the weather may be wet or fine

We'll just rub along without a care.

We're going to hang out the washing on the Siegfried Line,  
If that Siegfried Line's still there.

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Have you any dirty washing, mother dear?

We're going to hang out the washing on the Siegfried Line,  
'Cos the washing day is here.

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The song above was written in 1939 and was a morale-boosting song for the British soldiers. The Siegfried Line, also known as the Westwall was a defensive border that stretched 630km.

## Vera Lynn 'The White Cliffs of Dover'

*There'll be bluebirds over  
The white cliffs of dover  
Tomorrow  
Just you wait and see*

*I'll never forget the people I met  
Braving those angry skies  
I remember well as the shadows fell  
The light of hope in their eyes*

*And though I'm far away  
I still can hear them say  
Bombs up  
But when the dawn comes up*

*There'll be bluebirds over  
The white cliffs of dover  
Tomorrow  
Just you wait and see*

*There'll be love and laughter  
And peace ever after  
Tomorrow  
When the world is free*

*The shepherd will tend his sheep  
The valley will bloom again  
And Jimmy will go to sleep  
In his own little room again*

*There'll be bluebirds over  
The white cliffs of dover*

*Tomorrow*  
*Just you wait and see*

**The Lambeth Walk**  
*Any time you're Lambeth way*  
*Any evening, any day*  
*You'll find us all*  
*Doin' the Lambeth walk – oy!*  
*Every little Lambeth gal*  
*With her little Lambeth pal*  
*You'll find 'em all*  
*Doin' the Lambeth walk*  
*Everything free and easy*  
*Do as darn well pleasey*  
*Why don't you make your way there?*  
*Go there; stay there*  
*Once you get down Lambeth way*  
*Every evening, every day*  
*You'll find yourself*  
*Doin' the Lambeth walk – oy!*

### **IT'S A LONG WAY TO TIPPERARY**

**Up to mighty London came**  
**An Irish man one day**  
**All the streets were paved with gold**  
**So everyone was gay!**  
**Singing songs of Piccadilly**  
**Strand, and Leicester Square**  
**'Til Paddy got excited and**  
**He shouted to them there:**

**It's a long way to Tipperary**  
**It's a long way to go.**  
**It's a long way to Tipperary**  
**To the sweetest girl I know!**

Goodbye Piccadilly  
Farewell Leicester Square!  
It's a long long way to Tipperary  
But my heart's right there. **repeat**

Paddy wrote a letter  
To his Irish Molly O'  
Saying, "Should you not receive it  
Write and let me know!  
If I make mistakes in "spelling"  
Molly dear", said he  
"Remember it's the pen, that's bad  
Don't lay the blame on me".

It's a long way to Tipperary  
It's a long way to go.  
It's a long way to Tipperary  
To the sweetest girl I know!  
Goodbye Piccadilly  
Farewell Leicester Square  
It's a long long way to Tipperary  
But my heart's right there. **Repeat**

### *Vera Lynn - We'll Meet Again*

We'll meet again  
Don't know where  
Don't know when  
But I know we'll meet again some sunny day  
Keep smiling through  
Just like you always do  
'Till the blue skies drive the dark clouds far away

So will you please say hello  
To the folks that I know  
Tell them I won't be long  
They'll be happy to know  
That as you saw me go  
I was singing this song  
We'll meet again

Don't know where  
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