

UKRAINE



WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN UKRAINE SINCE IT WAS LAST IN THE NEWS?

EARLIER THIS YEAR...

We found that Russia and Ukraine's war has not been on the news for a while so we decided to put together an assembly about the aftermath so far and the school children or refugees it has affected. After using Newsround and a news magazine for kids we have found pictures and compared them to our school.

WE HOPE YOU ENJOY OUR ASSEMBLY ABOUT UKRAINE!



When you went back to school in September, did you wonder what other children around the world were going back to?

How would you feel if you were a Ukrainian child with no school left to return to?

We took pictures of our school and have compared them to pictures of Ukrainian schools in the middle of the conflict.

THIS IS THE FRONT OF THE SCHOOL

As you can see, their school has been damaged by bombs and gunfire. Shreds of wood have fallen away and windows are smashed. Aren't we lucky to have a clean and undamaged school?



THIS IS THE CAR PARK

There is a pit where the cars are piled and the bricks have fallen. These were caused by a bomb and the cars have been ruined by fire damage. Aren't we lucky that our school community can get to school safely?



THIS IS THE OUTSIDE WALL

Their school walls have been attacked with gun fire and shrapnel and the windows are replaced with bin bags. Aren't we lucky to have beautiful school grounds?



THESE ARE FLOOR PAINTINGS

Their playground floor has been ruined by bombs. Aren't we lucky to have beautiful playground markings and a safe place to play?



THIS IS A CLASSROOM

Their classroom has fire damage and there are no resources left.
Aren't we lucky that we have bright and colourful classrooms and books to use and read?



THIS IS THEIR CLIMBING FRAME

Their play area and climbing frames are empty as it is not safe for the children to return to school. Aren't we lucky that we have a school full of friends to play with in a safe environment?



THIS IS THE CORRIDOR

Their corridors are empty and burnt. Aren't we lucky to have spacious corridors with beautiful displays?



THESE ARE THEIR RESOURCES

All of their work has been destroyed and their equipment has been ruined. Aren't we lucky that we have books to work in and things to use.



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/62822065>

HOW CAN WE HELP?

More than half of Ukraine's 7.5 million children have been forced to flee the ongoing violence.

UNICEF have been providing vaccines and making safe spaces for children and women.

We can still help by donating to UNICEF so they can distribute life saving medical supplies, help people access safe water, provide learning supplies and reach children and their caregivers with mental health support.



TIME TO PRAY TIME TO REFLECT

Dear God, thank you for our beautiful school that we can come back to with our wonderful friends.

Sorry that we sometimes take things for granted.

Please help the Ukrainian refugees to return to their homes and schools, and continue with their education.

