

Remembrance Day

A time for reflection



**LEST WE
FORGET**

Why do we have Remembrance Day?

Remembrance day helps us to remember what happened during World War 1. It was a terrible war and millions of people died or were injured.

We remember the soldiers who fought and died for our country. Some of the soldiers were as young as 17.



Information about World War 1

- World War 1 was also called 'The Great War'.
- The war took place in Belgium, France, Africa and the Middle East.
- Over 10 million soldiers died, many were very young.



What is the Armistice?

The Armistice was when the war ended.

On the 11th hour...

...of the 11th day

...of the 11th month

11-11-11

This is why Remembrance Day is also called Armistice Day



Why do we wear poppies?



Poppies grew on the soldiers graves in the fields of France. Wearing poppies helps us show our respect for those who have died

The red colour reminds us of the blood that is shed during wartimes when soldiers are in combat.

Buying poppies raises money for charities.

This money goes towards helping wounded soldiers and their families.



What happens on Remembrance Day?

On Remembrance Day we spend time remembering the soldiers who died during World War 1 and other wars and conflicts.



We also think about the soldiers who are stationed in war zones all around the world.

We lay wreaths and crosses and wear poppies as a mark of respect.



What happens on Remembrance Day?



We have 2 minutes of silence at 11 o'clock.

Many towns have a parade to show they remember. This usually ends at a war memorial or cenotaph.



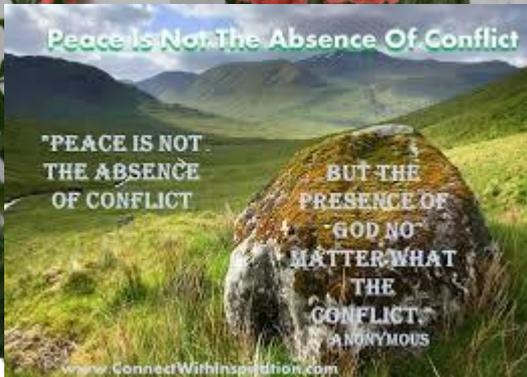
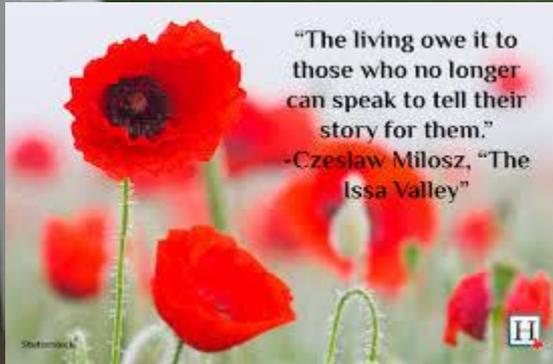
There is a cenotaph in Whitehall, London where the Queen and other important people pay their respects.



Poppies signify sacrifice

How can we best remember those who have died in wars?

How can we help to bring peace to our world?



A Prayer for World Peace

We pray for the power to be gentle;
the strength to be forgiving;
the patience to be understanding;
and the endurance to hold on to what is right.

May we put our trust in the power of good to
overcome evil
and the power of love to overcome hatred.

Amen

