Remembrance Day 2021



This year, we are marking 100 years since the nation's collective Remembrance traditions were first brought together. To mark this occasion, we will be having a special assembly on Thursday 11th November with a two minute silence. Teachers will also be planning a variety of lessons during the week to commemorate this time.

We would also like to create a lasting memorial to the 100 years, by asking every child to make a plastic poppy over the half-

term holiday and bring it in on the first day back, Monday 1st November. These will then be collected and put together to create an outdoor memorial within the school grounds.

The poppies are created by reusing plastic drinks bottles and then painting with acrylic paint or a paint, which is weatherproof. You can follow the instructions below and there are many Youtube videos showing how to make these. Children will need adult supervision if using Youtube and to cut the plastic bottles. We would really appreciate your support with this.

You can create your own designs too, but they must be red, waterproof, weatherproof and ideally be made by reusing materials.

Poppies will be on sale in school from Monday 1st November. A minimum donation of 50p.



Remembrance Day Poppy Craft

You will need:

- · A large, empty drinks bottle
- · Paintbrush
- Scissors
- · Red acrylic paint
- Red tissue paper or glitter (optional)
- · Masking tape
- · White glue
- Black permanent pen or black acrylic paint



Safety

Cutting into plastic bottles can be difficult and must be done with care. Children should work closely with an adult so they receive the appropriate supervision and help as to not cause injury. Once cut, the edges of the bottle may be sharp and must be handled with care until covered with either masking tape or tissue paper.

Instructions

- 1. Carefully, cut the bottom of the drinks bottle off. You may need an adult to do this for you.
- 2. Keep the base but recycle the top part.
- 3. Cover all the edges with masking tape so that there aren't any sharp edges exposed.
- 4. Paint the inside of the base using the red acrylic paint. Completely cover the inside.
- 5. Leave to dry. Once dry, draw a black circle in the centre of the inside of the base. This is the center of the poppy.
- Finally, if you choose to, add white glue around the edges of the poppy and cover with glitter or red tissue paper.



