

What is Remembrance?

What should I already know?

- People wear red poppies in November for Remembrance Day.
- At Overdale Infant School we hold a 2 minute silence each year for Remembrance Day.

Key facts

What is Remembrance Day?

- Remembrance Day is on 11th November every year. It marks the day World War 1 ended in 1918, and we use this day to remember everyone who has died in wars.

Why do we wear poppies?

- We wear poppies because they are a symbol of remembering the people who have died in wars, especially World War 1. A marigold is also a symbol of Remembrance in some countries, such as India, helping us remember that the UK wasn't alone

What do we do on Remembrance Day?

- On Remembrance Day, people often wear poppies, hold a 2-minute silence, and attend ceremonies at cenotaphs and memorials where some people lay wreaths.

Who do we remember?

- We remember all the people who died or were affected by wars, including soldiers and those who helped in other ways during the war.

Key Vocabulary and definitions

| Vocabulary | Definition |
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| Remembrance | A time to think about people who have died or been affected by war. |
| symbol | Something that stands for or reminds us of something else. |
| poppy | A red flower that people wear to remember those who died in wars, especially World War 1. |
| war | Fighting between countries |
| respect | Showing you care and honour someone or something. |
| memorial | Something made to help us remember an important event or person. |
| Cenotaph | A special place where people gather to remember those who died in wars. |
| silence | A quiet time to show respect for those who have died. |
| wreath | A circle of flowers placed at a memorial to honour those who died. |



The Cenotaph, London



The War Memorial Arch, Victoria Park, Leicester



A field of poppies



A Remembrance wreath