

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School



Subject: History

Topic: War and Remembrance

Year: 2

What should I already know?

- Sequencing events on a timeline in chronological order.
- Poppies are worn on Remembrance Day.
- Remembrance Day is when we remember those who died in the wars.
- Soldiers fight in the war.

What am I going to learn?

- Walter Tull was a soldier that fought in the First World War. He was the first black officer to lead white soldiers into battle. He fought in the battle of Somme in 1916.
- The First World War was a huge conflict that was fought between 1914 and 1918.
- The Western Front was a long line of trenches that ran along the coast of Belgium to Switzerland.
- Trenches were **long, narrow ditches** dug into the ground where soldiers lived all day and night.
- The areas where soldiers stayed, ready to fight, was called the **Front Line**.
- 100,000 carrier pigeons were used as messengers during the war.
- In the First World War, over 700,000 UK soldiers were killed. Since 1919, people have remembered those who died.
- Remembrance Day is held on 11th November. This is the day the Armistice was signed in 1918, ending the First World War.

Vocabulary

Home Front: The people who stayed at home in Britain and helped the war effort. Britain was called the 'Home Front', because people felt that they were part of the war.

Armistice: An agreement made by opposing sides in a war to stop fighting for a certain time; a truce.

Poppy: Poppies are worn by millions as a symbol to remember all of the people who have given their lives for their country in war.

Remembrance Day: Since World War I ended, every year at 11am on the 11th day on 11th November, a two-minute silence is held at 11am to remember the people who have died in wars.

Trenches: Trenches were long, narrow ditches dug into the ground where soldiers lived.

Front Line: The military line or part of an army that is closest to the enemy.

World War I: The First World War that lasted from July 1914 to November 1918.

World War II: The Second World War that lasted from 1939-1945.

Cenotaph: The Cenotaph in London is a monument that was built to remember those who died in the war.



Useful Websites

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/war/homefront.html>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/15492752>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z4mxsbk>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/history-ks1--ks2-ww1-a-to-z/zmcdpg8>

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/general>

