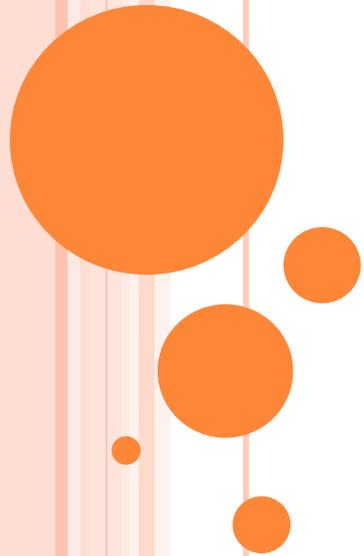


REMEMBRANCE DAY

11 – 11 -2016



WHAT IS IT?

- A special day set aside to remember all those men and women who were killed during the two World Wars and other conflicts.
- The **eleventh hour** of the **eleventh day** of the **eleventh month** in 1918, marked the end of World War One after more than 4 years of conflict. (11-11-1918)
- More than one million men and women from Britain and the Commonwealth died in World War I between 1914 and 1918, and nearly 500,000 in World War II from 1939 to 1945.



WHY DO WE WEAR POPPIES?

- The Western Part of Belgium called Flanders was an area where the bloodiest fighting of WW1 concentrated, destroying everything from roads and buildings to all natural life.



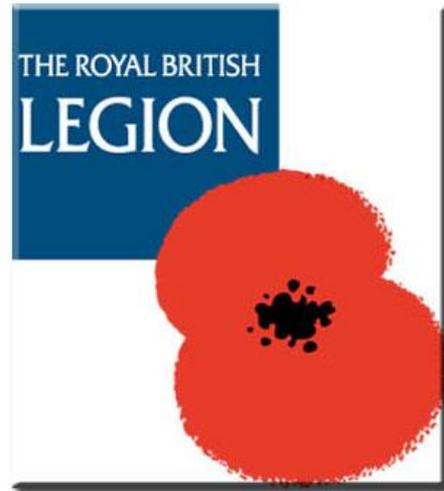
- Only one other living thing survived and that was the poppy flowering each year with the warm weather. This flower brought life, hope, colour and reassurance to those still fighting.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

- **Remembrance Sunday** is held on the second Sunday in November, which is usually the Sunday nearest to 11 November.
- Special services are held at war memorials and churches all over Britain
- A national ceremony takes place at the Cenotaph in Whitehall, London. The Queen lays the first wreath at the Cenotaph





WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO BUY A POPPY?

- The Royal British Legion was founded in 1921 as a voice for the ex-Service community and has over 380,000 members.
- The Legion is the UK's leading charity providing financial, social and emotional support to millions who have served or are currently serving in the Armed Forces, and their dependants.
- To be eligible for our help, you must have served in the Forces for at least 7 days, or be the dependant of someone who has served. It really is that simple. Some examples of people we have helped recently are below.

