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Remembrance

Key Stage 3



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Who are they?



Keeping us safe

The people who worked to keep us safe in the past, and keep us safe today, serve in the **Royal Navy, the Army and the Royal Air Force.**

They often work in dangerous and challenging places, and spend a long time away from their family.



80 years ago



In 1945, after five long years of fighting, the Second World War came to an end.

People from all across the world had been working for peace, sacrificing their time, energy, safety, and for many, their lives.

VE Day and VJ Day

1945

January

February

March

April

May

VE Day happened
on 9th May 1945

August

July

June

VJ Day happened on
15th August 1945

September

October

November

December

Remembering VE and VJ Day

These films are all about why we remember VE and VJ Day 80 years later, and the people whose service kept us safe.



Watch the films here:

<https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/remembrance/teaching-remembrance/ve-and-vj-day-teaching-resources>

This Week's Hymn



I vow to thee, my country, all
earthly things above
Entire and whole and perfect, the
service of my love
The love that asks no question,
the love that stands the test
That lays upon the altar, the
dearest and the best
The love that never falters, the
love that pays the price
The love that makes undaunted
the final sacrifice

And there's another country,
I've heard of long ago
Most dear to them that love
her, most great to them that
know
We may not count her
armies, we may not see her
king
Her fortress is a faithful heart,
her pride is suffering
And soul by soul, and silently
her shining bounds increase
And her ways are ways of
gentleness, and all her paths
are peace

This week's hymn

This week was All Hallows eve,
followed by all saints day

All Saints Day is when we
remember those people who
have made a positive impact
on our lives.

All Hallows eve is the evening
before. Halloween is a
celebration in some forms of
Christianity and outside of
religion as a celebration of the
dead, it is believed by some to
be the last evening that non-
good spirits can wander the
earth in preparation for the
arrival of Jesus

It is also the time of year when
many of us remember those
who have laid down their lives
to defend freedom

Many slaves and people who
have suffered throughout
history took comfort in
Christianity in the story of the
freeing of the Israelite slaves
from Egypt. Israel was believed
all these years ago to be a
state of freedom and peace,
we all remember our desire
for peace

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Today

Today the Armed Forces Community are still working to keep us safe.

Across the UK and around the world they face challenges and dangers, sacrificing their safety, comfort, and time with their families so that we can be safe.



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The Royal British Legion is a charity which supports the Armed Forces Community – their motto is **Service Not Self**



Meet Jordan Dawes



"I'm Lance Corporal Jordan Dawes, and I've been a Royal Marine for 9 years."

My brother always wanted to join the Marines but couldn't, so I was inspired to do it for both of us.

Service runs in my family too—my grandad served in the Royal Navy, my great-uncle was in the Army, and my great-grandad was wounded in the Second World War.

Pushing through challenges

Outside of service, I enjoy cooking, music, and spending time with family.



Training nearly broke me: pneumonia and a shoulder injury put me out for 17 months.



Sport is part of my family too—my brother plays rugby, my nephews play football, and my father-in-law manages a team.

I've trained in deserts, mountains and at sea.



I balance being a Marine with playing professional basketball.

“Sometimes the toughest battles aren’t overseas—they’re inside yourself.”

What Remembrance means to Jordan

I was talking to someone about the people who served before, who are now veterans, and they said to me:

“The only difference between them and you is time.”

The people we remember were once just like us —young, with families, hopes and dreams.

I want young people to learn about Remembrance for themselves and be grateful for the freedoms they have.



Remembrance

When we take part in Remembrance we are saying thank you to...



The people who kept us
safe **in the past**

The people who keep us
safe **today**

Their friends and family



How can you remember?

There are lots of different ways to remember the people who keep us safe.
You could:

Compose or sing a song

Wear a poppy

Visit a special place

Write a story or a poem

Make Remembrance art

Find out about your connections
to people who have served.



Remembering together



One way we can
remember is the
Two Minute Silence.

Every year on 11th November at
11 o'clock, people spend two
minutes thinking about the people
who keep us safe.

On Tuesday 11th November we will have our 2 minute silence at the end of P.2. This will be led by your classroom teacher and will follow a similar plan to previous years.

Between now and then discuss in your forms how people show their remembrance, why we remember and ask if you have any questions.

On the next slide there is a short prayer for you in form.



A Prayer for Remembrance



Ever-living God,
We remember those whom you have
gathered from the storm of war
into the peace of your presence;
may that same peace calm our fears,
bring justice to all peoples
and establish harmony among the nations,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

