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Teacher’s notes

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How can we support Poppyscotland?

Level
Second and Third

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I enhance my learning by applying my ICT skills in different learning contexts across the curriculum. **TCH 3-04a**

**Additional resources**


Poppyscotland’s image library is available from the Poppyscotland Learning website: [http://learning.poppyscotland.org.uk/resources-category/media/](http://learning.poppyscotland.org.uk/resources-category/media/)

**Useful links**

- [www.poppyscotland.org.uk/learning](http://www.poppyscotland.org.uk/learning)
- [www.bbcmotiongallery.com](http://www.bbcmotiongallery.com)
- [http://www.iwm.org.uk/history/first-world-war](http://www.iwm.org.uk/history/first-world-war)
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Summary notes
Pupils are challenged to put on a First World War event for teachers, parents and the local community. The day can include the following events or attractions:

Remembrance service
This event can include films, readings, poems, songs, laying of a wreath and two minutes silence. The service can be repeated at assemblies but can also be put on for the community on Remembrance Sunday.

Events
First World War museum set up by students in an empty classroom in the school. Artefacts could be displayed in display cases, sourced via the local authority museum services. Photographs and information can be displayed on display boards. Art from the First World War and students’ own art can also be displayed. A Microsoft PowerPoint presentation, which is made by students, can run on a loop. Students may also wish to make a video presentation. Refreshments should also be available.

Interdisciplinary
- History is at the centre of an event like this. However, many subjects can be incorporated into this event:
  - English - various poems and analysis of them can appear in the museum;
  - English - writing pieces of work for the museum;
  - Art - various pieces of art work and analysis of them can appear in the museum;
  - Art - students own representation of war can appear in the museum;
  - Art - signage for the day;
  - Home Economics/Hospitality - catering for the day (can be done on a First World War theme);
  - Business Education/Administration - letters to delegates and invited guests;
  - Business Education/Administration/Computing - maintenance of spreadsheet charting numbers attending the event;
  - Computing/IT - lighting for the event in the games hall;
  - Computing - event video recorded and pictures taken;
  - Hospitality - reception on the day, guiding on the day, reception at the restaurant;
  - Drama/English - production of short play;
  - Modern Studies - section in museum on conflicts in the world today;
  - Music/school band - compose song/music piece for the event;
  - Music/school band - play traditional or composed pieces at the event.

External agencies
- Students should engage with the local authority museum services staff and staff at other museums.
- Students should engage with local newspapers to find out information about their area in the First World War and also to publicise the event.
- Students should engage with local radio to publicise the event.
- Students should engage with catering staff to ensure refreshments are provided on the day.
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- Students should engage with other schools in the area from which they can borrow additional resources for their museum.

**Small scale and large scale events**
This event can be made as large or small as you wish. It can include all of the above. However, a class could still take part in the challenge within their own classroom using a wall in the room or a display board around the school to display their mini-museum.
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- Work in groups of four or five, doing different roles.
- Allocate researchers, writers, artists, publicity team, display team, museum guides.
- Plan how to make a museum (use the worksheet as a guide).
- Make your museum.

Make use of the following resources:

- Course books on the First World War;
- Your class notes;
- Teachers in other departments who can help;
- The internet (beware of spending too much time though looking for facts that are easily at hand in notes and course books).

Rules

- Everyone participates in the planning and production of your group’s work.
- Work within the timescales provided.
- Meet the criteria - have you done what you were asked to do?

Additional resources

Poppyscotland’s documentary films and archive footage are available from the Poppyscotland Learning website: http://learning.poppyscotland.org.uk/resources-category/films/ or by ordering for free the ‘Sowing the Poppy seed’ DVD via this link: http://learning.poppyscotland.org.uk/resources/order-education-pack/

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Task

What sort of information should be included in our museum?

Where will we get the information from?

Who could help us find information on the Poppy and the First World War?

How will we display our information?

What sort of artefacts would be good to include in our museum?
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Where could we get these artefacts from?

Where should we hold our museum?

(Think about size of room, how easy is it to get to?)

What sort of jobs are there in preparing and running a museum?

Who in our class will do these jobs?

Who should we invite to our opening day?
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How will we invite them and how will we advertise our museum?

Congratulations – you have now started to plan your museum.
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What progress have I made today?
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| I can give reasons why WW1 is of lasting importance.  
Some of my reasons are… | I can analyse the different effects of WW1 and explain how this has had an impact on our society and the world.  
Some points are… |

| 4th level |  |  |
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| I can take account of changing values and moral attitudes relating to WW1 past and present.  
Some points are… |  |  |
Peer marking exercise / self-assessment

Tick all that apply

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