

Communication

- Introduce some new words using [Remembrance Day vocabulary cards](#).
- Talk about the word 'peace'. What does it mean? Use this word to spark a discussion with children.

Social & Emotional

- Talk about why people have medals and why they wear them. Does anyone in their family have any medals (either military or otherwise)? What have the children done that they are proud of? [Design their own medals](#).

Physical

- Help children to develop their pencil control with some beautiful [colouring in pages](#).
- Practise cutting out [poppies](#) and sticking on to poppy wreaths.
- Support the development of fine motor skills with a [poppy playdough mat](#).

Literacy

- Encourage mark making with some lovely [poppy writing paper](#).
- Help the children to think about the beginning sounds in words and write a [poppy acrostic poem](#).

Early Years Topic Planning: Remembrance Day

Maths

- Practise counting and number recognition with a [poppy dot to dot](#).
- Look at a calendar and talk about the days and months. Draw poppies onto the calendar on remembrance days.

Understanding the World

- Ask a visitor to come in to talk to the children about Remembrance Day, poppies or medals. Or watch a short, age-appropriate video.

Expressive Arts

- Use thumbs to do some painting and create a [field of poppies painting](#).
- Use real poppies (if available) or paper poppies to set up a still-life drawing and painting exercise.