



Monday 22nd October 2018

Dear Members of the Woodborough Community

This Remembrance Day marks 100 years since the end of the First World War. The example and experience of those who lived through it shaped the world we live in today. During the first week of next term the children will be learning about different aspects of World War I, culminating in our Remembrance Service on **Friday 9th November at 10.40am** in the school hall - to which you are all very welcome.

Last year all the children were involved in producing the large wooden poppy that was displayed outside the school and this year we would like to involve, not only the children in the school and their families, but also the wider community. The idea is that we drape the phone box just outside the school with lots and lots of poppies during November. We would love you to take part in what we hope will be a very worthwhile community project and would like to invite you to get creative and make a poppy or two to contribute to our phone box poppy display.



Poppies can be made from a variety of materials, such as plastic, fabric, clay, wood or wool (**see below for examples of knitting/crochet patterns**). As they will be displayed outside they will need to be reasonably durable. Ideally poppies should be between 5 and 15cm and should include a hole for attaching to a large display net. We would like to collect poppies at school by Tuesday 6th November, in order for the display to be assembled.

All of our pupils will also be making their own poppies to add to the display.

If you'd like any further details, please don't hesitate to ask. This a great opportunity for you to get creative! We are looking forward to seeing lots of different poppies.



Many thanks

Mrs Needham

RE & Collective Worship Coordinator

Poppy knitting pattern



Thank you for being involved with our World War One Centenary display

We want as many people as possible to knit or crochet red poppies that will form part of a community display outside Woodborough School. A suggested pattern is below, but if you have a pattern you would prefer to use feel free.

Knitting pattern

Equipment: 4mm, 5mm or 5 and a half mm knitting needles Red double knitting or thicker wool (Size of needle used is dependent on the thickness of wool used).

Petals: (make 4) Cast on 7 sts.

1st row: K

2nd row: Kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. 9 sts.

3rd row: As 2nd row. 11sts.

4th row: As 2nd row. 13sts.

5th -8th rows: K

9th row: s1k1psso twice, k to last 4 sts, k2tog twice. 9sts

10th -12th rows: K

13th row: As 9th row. 5sts.

14th -16th rows: K

17th row: K1, sk2po, k1. 3sts.

18th row: K. Cast off.

Finishing: Sew petals together into a poppy shape.

For the centre, you can use a button, black bead or a piece of black fabric.

Abbreviations k = knit, k2tog = knit 2 together, kfb = knit into front and back of stitch(st), st(s) = stitch(es) Sk2po = Slip 2 stitches as if to knit together, knit 1, pass slipped stitches over.

Crochet Pattern

Equipment: Size 3.5 crochet hook (to make the finished flower quite tight)

Colour A: ball of 8 ply yarn – for this project use red yarn

Colour B: scraps of green 8 ply yarn

Colour C: Scraps of black 8 ply yarn



Body of poppy

Using colour A make a slip ring

1st round ch 3, 9 treble crochet into ring. Pull the slip ring tight to close centre of ring and slip stitch in top ch to join **2nd round** Ch 3, 1 treble crochet into first stitch 2 treble crochet into each stitch to last stitch, slip stitch in top ch to join

3rd round Ch 3, 2 treble crochet into first stitch, 3 treble crochet into each stitch to last stitch, slip stitch in top ch to join

4th round Ch 3, 1 treble into first stitch, 2 treble into each stitch to last stitch, slip stitch in top ch to join. Fasten off and sew in ends

Centre of Poppy

Using colour B Make slip ring ch 3, 9 treble crochet into ring. Pull end to close centre of ring and slip stitch in top ch to join. Fasten off and sew in ends

Using Colour C Join yarn into edge of circle on RS and Ch 1*1 double crochet into first stitch, 1 ch. Repeat from * to end of round and slip stitch to join. Fasten off leaving a long tail to attach to body of poppy.

Finishing

Sew in ends for body of poppy. The ends for the centre can be sewn in if you wish or hide them behind when you sew on the centre. Using a yarn needle thread black tail and invisibly attach the centre to the body of the poppy.