

# **REMEMBRANCE**

On this, the 11<sup>th</sup> day, of the 11th month, we remember those who lost their lives during war; we remember especially the victims of the World Wars, and take the time also to think of those countries where war is current and is having a devastating impact on the lives of many. Staff and children engaged in a period of silence in yesterday's assembly, during which the theme of Remembrance was explored.

Before half term, Year 6 pupils devised poems around a theme of their choice. The quality of the poem printed below impressed us all, and given the theme, we considered this to be the perfect opportunity to showcase it. It's very moving and most importantly gives us an insight into war from a child's perspective. Well done Emma!

## **WHAT IS WAR?**

War is a big bully that never learns his lesson!  
War is a crocodile emerging its head from the murky depths,  
Grey, gloomy skies surround you in war,  
Deafening gun shots close in,  
Fear hangs off the soldiers like a cloud,  
Colossal plumes of smoke suddenly jump out,  
They tremble when the first gun shot is heard.  
Grey surroundings, all grey no shade of colour or sign of joy.  
Courageous soldiers;  
Some soon to be buried under stone and rubble.  
Lonely trees stand and painfully watch.  
The conflict is horrendous!  
In war people kidnap the innocent lives of others.  
To be in the war all you need is;  
A heart full of pride and fire in your blood.

All things bring us to war ....  
We are all prisoners of war!

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