

Commemoration of Remembrance Day

The staff and children of Garlinge Primary School and Nursery recently commemorated Remembrance Day together by paying their respects to those who have suffered or lost their lives due to war. In classes, through discussion and activities, the children learnt about the importance of Remembrance Day and why we commemorate it. In the week leading up to Remembrance Day, Year 6 prefects and staff of the school worked hard as a team to organise the selling of poppies and poppy merchandise and it was fabulous to see so many members of the school wearing their poppies with pride. All proceeds raised during the week have been donated to The Royal British Legion.

The commemorations concluded with the gathering of the whole school on 11th November to take part in the two minute silence at 11am. The occasion was made all the more poignant by the playing of 'The Last Post' and 'The Reveille' by Mr Cook and a reading of a verse from Laurence Binyon's famous World War One poem 'For the Fallen', by Head Boy Xavier Trojanowski and Head Girl Sila Ergin. We were joined by members of the governing body and other members of the wider school community, Mr Bodham, who served in the Royal Army Ordnance Core and Mr Harrison who served in the Royal Artillery.

Accompanied by Mr Williams and Mrs Goode, our Head boy and girl and their deputies also laid wreaths of poppies on behalf of the school at Westgate War Memorial and St James' Church Garlinge.