

What is a poppy? Practitioner's notes.



Introduction

Using prior knowledge and experiences children may have seen people wearing poppies around the time of Remembrance Day.

The purpose of this challenge is to enable children to explore the different varieties of flowers and sort these according to a variety of criteria. Other flowers may be used alongside poppies. Photographic images may be used as an option.

Children may wish to record their findings in a chosen way such as a drawing or photograph.

Depending on the children and their experiences it may be possible to discuss why the poppy is used as a symbol.

The Big Question

What is the significance of the poppy?

Level

Early

Experiences and Outcomes

Learning in the sciences will enable me to develop curiosity and understanding of the environment and my place in the living, material and physical world.

SCN OA

I have observed living things in the environment over time and am becoming aware of how they depend on each other.

SCN 0-01a

I enjoy investigating objects and shapes and can sort, describe and be creative with them.

MTH 0-16a

Learning in the technologies enables me to gain the confidence and skills to embrace and use technologies now and in the future, at home, at work and in the wider community.

TCH OA

I enjoy taking photographs or recording sound and images to represent my experiences and the world around me.

TCH 0-04b

My learning in, through and about the expressive arts allows me to develop skills and techniques that are relevant to specific art forms and across the four capacities.

EXA OA

I can create a range of visual information through observing and recording from my experiences across the curriculum.

EXA 0-04a

Experiences and Outcomes

I develop and extend my literacy skills when I have opportunities to communicate, collaborate and build relationships.

LIT OA

As I listen and talk in different situations, I am learning to take turns and am developing my awareness of when to talk and when to listen.

LIT 0-02a

As I listen and take part in conversations and discussions, I discover new words and phrases which I use to help me express my ideas, thoughts and feelings.

LIT 0-10a

Additional Resources

What is a poppy?

'A chat with . . . Poppy Scotland' film is available on our website.

www.poppyscotland.org.uk/education

Selection of poppy flowers (if possible)

Google images