

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

MKC Heroes' Newsletter

2020 has brought challenges for many people, and we appreciate all you have been doing to support children and young people in your schools. We hope the new year is going well and you're enjoying being back in the classroom. Here at The Royal British Legion several things have also changed for us since the last Newsletter back in March.

Thank you for your patience during this unusual time. Now things are up and running again, albeit slightly differently for the time being, we aim to bring you regular news and information, as well as continuing to grow and develop the MKC Heroes network.

Covid Survey

We're aware circumstances have dramatically changed for schools, so we've compiled a short survey to gain further information about your MKC Heroes clubs and feedback regarding how we can support you during times like these. Please help us to understand your needs and to shape our support and services going forward. [Survey Link](#).

Positive News and Stories

MKC Heroes do amazing work all year round and here at TRBL we'd love to hear your positive stories as we believe promoting them is really important. If you have something you'd like to share with us, big or small, please get in touch. Things may look very different and many clubs will be working in extremely altered conditions, but we know your passion and support remains as strong as ever, and that's why it's so important we acknowledge just how amazing the MKC Heroes community is!

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Remembrance Tributes

We'd also like to extend a massive thank you to everyone for supporting MKC Heroes Remembrance Tributes. This year we've had the biggest response for Little Crosses ever, which is amazing, particularly in these unprecedented circumstances. Despite many groups being unable to run as they normally would, it's great to see so many wanting to continue treasured Remembrance traditions.

Unfortunately, the Remembrance Ceremony at Lydiard Park's Field of Remembrance is not open to the public as it usually would be, although, the Tributes will still be planted. The site opens to the public at 1pm on Friday 30th October until Sunday 22nd November. Covid restrictions will be in place, but anyone wishing to visit the Field is able to do so during this period.

When completed, please do send us images of your Tributes, and any positive stories or quotes you have about Remembrance to

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so we can showcase the wonderful work MKC Heroes does across our ever growing network.

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Remembrance Resources

The Royal British Legion have produced a variety of Remembrance resources suitable for KS1 through to KS4. All teaching elements are in line with the National Curriculum and have been created in partnership with the National Literacy Trust. These include: downloadable resources for in class and at home, ready-for-use lessons, book clubs, assemblies and art projects.

www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/remembrance/teaching-remembrance



If you are interested in something specific not found here, or have a suggestion regarding useful topics and resources for your MKC Heroes during Remembrance and beyond, please feel free to drop us an email

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Social Media

We'd love if you followed us and shared news and updates about your MKC Heroes on our socials. Tag us in your Twitter posts at [@MKCHeroes](https://twitter.com/MKCHeroes) and like our Community page on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/MKCHeroes) where we can share positive stories, news, and information to the MKC Heroes national schools' network.



Never Such Innocence

Never Such Innocence have just launched their 2020/21 creative arts competition! This year's competition theme is 'The Unheard Voices of Conflict: Stories from Around the World'. NSI wants young people to share their reflections on conflict or give a voice to those who may not have one. Some examples of an 'unheard voice' could include: a personal family story relating to conflict, the feelings of a service child who has a parent deployed or refugees fleeing from their homes.

The international competition features four categories: Poetry, Art, Speech and Song and is open to young people aged 9-18. Winners in the four categories will be invited to participate in unique experiences and will receive a special personalised certificate of commendation for their work.

Entering the competition is simple. All that is required is a digital entry form and picture / file upload of their work. Full competition details can be found on the NSI website. The deadline to enter is Friday 19th March 2021.

www.neversuchinnocence.com/2020-21-competition

Entries into the competition may also be submitted into their 'Voices of Armed Forces Children' project. This project gives service children and families the opportunity to share and reflect on what it means to be a member of the Armed Forces. Visit the NSI website to learn more about how to participate.

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