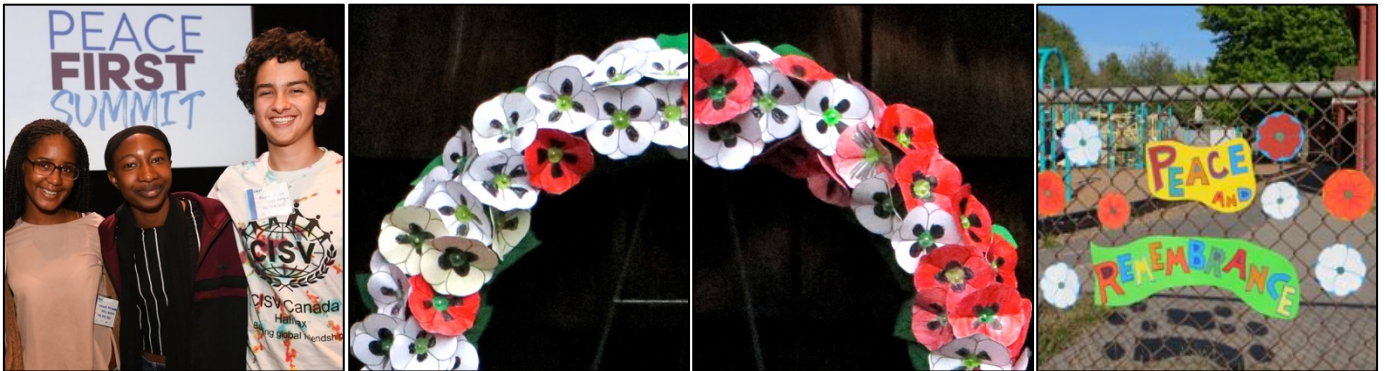


# 2019 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Armistice Day

## This fall we invite you to incorporate *White PEACE POPPIES*

...as well as the traditional red poppy in your teaching kit for  
**REMEMBRANCE DAY**

First introduced in Britain in 1933, the white poppy commemorates all victims of war, civilian and military, while encouraging us to challenge the beliefs, values and institutions that make war seem inevitable.



US Summit Celebrates Young Activists    Civilian and Military Death Statistics - Compare WW1 and Present Conflicts    Display on Elementary School Fence

### **BENEFITS OF EXPANDING OUR SCHOOLS' REMEMBRANCE DAY FOCUS:**

While respecting and honouring the sacrifice of soldiers, mixed poppy wreaths like those above also recognize the huge shift towards higher civilian casualties in recent conflicts. Civilian victims (including many children) now make up more than 90% of the total war dead.

The environmental impacts of war, its psychological toll on soldiers and civilians, and the lost potential of an estimated 50 million children whose education is disrupted by war are consequences our world cannot afford to accept.

By exploring the broader impacts of war, and better reflecting the experience of recent immigrants, teachers at all grade levels can help keep Remembrance Day relevant to students' lives and interests.

Vancouver Peace Poppies offers ideas and resource materials for secondary and primary teachers, plus subsidized white lapel poppies for use in BC schools.

We also co-host '*Let Peace be Their Memorial*' a Remembrance Day wreath ceremony for overlooked victims of war. We'd welcome more teacher and student participation in that event.



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