



Kent & Medway Schools' 1914 Christmas Truce Project

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In the week leading up to Christmas 1914 groups of German, British and allied soldiers stopped fighting to sing festive songs. Some on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day ventured in to "No man's land" to exchange gifts and to play games of football.

Today the truce is remembered as a symbolic moment of peace and humanity. An action taken by soldiers caught up in the conflict that was The First World War.

The Kent Schools' 1914 Christmas Truce will take place across Kent & Medway during the week of the 24th – 28th November 2014. It is an opportunity for schools and their pupils to:

- Research and find out if soldiers from their local area took part in this special event
- Plan a 1914 Christmas Truce Assembly
- Write and publish poems, postcards and Christmas Greeting cards like the soldiers in the trenches did in 1914
- Design and create 2 and 3D Artwork to depict life in the Trenches
- Dedicate a part of your school grounds as a "Peace Field" in memory of the events of 1914
- Participate in friendly sports games with other schools
- Participate in on-line question and answer sessions with local historians about the symbolic importance today of The 1914 Christmas Truce



How can my school take part?

Schools can opt to take part in some or all the cross-curricular activities designed for Key Stages 1 and 2 pupils. To outline the programme a workshop day for teachers at The **EIS Centre, Oxford Road, Maidstone from 13:30 to 16:30 on Thursday 19th June 2014**

All schools attending the Workshop will be given a 1914 **Christmas Truce pack** and be invited to take part in the planned activities taking place during the week of.

To attend please sign and return the slip below by Friday 13th June 2014. The cost to attend this workshop is £70.

Please see the accompanying sheet for details about the workshop

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Booking Form

Time & Date: 13:30 to 16:30 Thursday 19th June 2014

Venue: TBC (likely option Oxford Road, Maidstone)

The cost per delegate is £70 plus VAT.

To attend please complete and return this completed booking form to the address below by Friday 13th June 2014

E-mail: pbracegirdle@segfl.org.uk or **post to:**

South-East Grid for Learning Associates
28 Sweet Bay Crescent
Ashford
Kent
TN23 3QA

Name of School:	
Full Postal Address:	
	Postcode:
Staff attending:	
Contact E-mail:	
Contact Phone Number:	

Terms and conditions - Payment details

- a) Schools will be invoiced on receipt of their completed booking form and have until Friday 13th June 2014 to return their payment.
- b) Any schools withdrawing from the day before Friday 13th June 2014 will be entitled to a full refund. Schools withdrawing after this date will be eligible to a 50% refund.

For more information please contact:

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