

World War 1 – Knowledge Organiser – Year 2

Key dates		Key facts to learn - War			
28th June 1914	Archduke Franz Ferdinand assassinated	Allied forces – France, United Kingdom, Italy, Russia and America			
28 th July 1914	War began between Austria-Hungary and Serbia	Central powers – Germany, Austria-Hungary, Ottoman Empire (now called Turkey) and Bulgaria			
August 1914	Other nations began to join the war	In total, 30 countries were involved in the war.			
September 1914	Trench warfare began	World War 1 lasted over 4 years			
April 1917	America joins the Allied forces	By the end of WW1, over 9 million soldiers had been killed, and another 21 million wounded.			
December 1917	Russia leaves the war	Dogs and Pigeons were used to carry messages back from the front line.			
11 th November 1918	War ended at 11am	On Christmas day 1914, an unofficial truce was called and both sides sang carols and played football in no-mans-land.			
Key Vocabulary					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soldier – a person who serves in the army. Officer – a person who leads soldiers in the army. War – an armed fight between countries. Battle – a fight that lasts a long time. Memorial – a statue built to remind people of a person or event. Europe – a continent made up of a number of countries. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Western front - The zone of fighting in western Europe in the First World War. Trenches – a long narrow ditch. No man's land - disputed ground between the front lines or trenches of two opposing armies. Front line - the military line or part of an army that is closest to the enemy. Wounded – people or animals who are hurt. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medal of Honour – a medal given to someone who has been very brave or courageous. Home front – the people who stayed in the UK to help the war effort. Remembrance – a time that we spend remembering people who have died in the war. Armistice – an end to a war. 	