

## What's happening nationally

# BATTLE'S O V E R



A NATION'S TRIBUTE

11TH NOVEMBER 2018

100 YEARS OF REMEMBRANCE

A nationwide Day of Commemorative Events marking the Centenary of the end of the First World War and paying tribute to the millions killed or wounded in battle, and those on the home front who struggled amidst pain and loss to help ensure freedom survived.

### **06.00: Battle's O'er**

1000 individual Pipers across the United Kingdom and countries around the world commence the day's commemorations with the traditional Scottish lament played at the end of battle – Battle's O'er.

### **18.55: The Last Post**

1000 individual Buglers sound this historic tribute at WW1 Beacons of Light locations across the Nation and UK Overseas Territories.

### **19.00: WW1 Beacons of Light**

Over 1000 Beacons of Light symbolising an end to the darkness of war and a return to the light of peace.

### **19.05: Ringing Out for Peace**

1000 cathedrals and churches will ring out their bells across the nation, and beyond, in celebration of Peace.

### **19.05: A Cry for Peace around the World**

100 Town Criers throughout the United Kingdom and other countries around the World join together in an International Cry for Peace around the World



## Witney Town Council WWI Centenary Events




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WITNEY REMEMBERS


A list of commemorative events for the Armistice weekend including those that form part of the Nation's Tribute, 'Battle's Over'


## Fri 9 Nov


 **St Mary's Church Turns Red for Remembrance 6pm**  
Red uplighters will be switched on to transform the church for the weekend.

 **Installation of poppy mile continues**  
Hand made poppies will be installed in outlying areas of the town


## Sat 10 Nov


 **Schools Partnership Mosaics & WWI Exhibition**  
**Corn Exchange 10am to 5pm** **FREE ENTRY**  
Exhibition in the Corn Exchange. Mosaics made by pupils in the Witney Schools Partnership with mosaicist Becky Paton. Display of World War I memorabilia & reimagined photos from The Great War era by Witney Photo Group. Exhibition continues on Sunday 11th.

 **Best Dressed WWI Shop window judging**  
**Corn Exchange 1pm** **FREE ENTRY**  
Local shops have been asked to dress their windows with a display 'of the time'. The winner will be selected by the Mayor


 **Armistice Centenary Dinner (ticketed)**  
**Corn Exchange 7pm - 11pm** **£30 PER TICKET**  
Music & dance performances with dinner. Raffle in aid of The Royal British Legion. Performances by WOAPA and Jazz from Little Music Company.

## Sun 11 Nov

 **Final installation of Poppy Mile elements 6am**  
In preparation for the Big reveal, final elements will be installed or unveiled. Display remains in place for 2 weeks subject to installation of the town's Christmas Lights display.


 **RAF Freedom Parade**  
**Marriotts Walk—Church Green 10:25am**  
RAF Brize Norton will exercise rights & celebrate the Freedom of Witney. Parade begins: 10:25 at Marriotts Walk Shopping Centre. Squadron will march to Church Green & then fall out. Following the Church service they will muster at St Mary's Church & march to the Masonic Hall for a salute at 12:30pm, timed to coincide with a fly over by an RAF C130J Hercules


## Sun 11 Nov

 **Royal British Legion Service of Remembrance**  
**Church Green 10:45am**  
The traditional service & wreath laying at Witney's Church Green War Memorial.

 **Remembrance Day Church Service**  
**St Mary's Church 11:30am** **FREE ENTRY**  
All welcome


 **Hercules Flyover**  
**High Street and Church Green 12:30pm**

 **Oxfordshire Play Association WWI themed Playday**  
**The Leys 12 noon - 3pm** **FREE ENTRY**  
Go Karts, Fireplay Zorbing, Boulder wall plus more fantastic activities, all free

 **Afternoon Tea & Performances**  
**St Mary's Church 1pm - 4:30pm** **FREE ENTRY**  
Music and Drama performances with tea provided by Richmond Villages. Entry to the performances is free but there will be a charge for afternoon tea.  
Performances by:  
WOAPA 1.15-1.55 Witney Town Band 2:05-2:45  
Witney Dramatic Society 2:55-3:40 Voice Box Choir 3:50-4:30

 **Dedication & Unveiling of Centenary War Memorial**  
**The Leys 2pm**

 **Brize Norton Military Wives Choir**  
**The Leys 6:30pm** **FREE ENTRY**

 **Lighting of the Beacons of Light Bonfire**  
**The Leys 6:55pm** **FREE ENTRY**  
Over 1000 Beacons of Light symbolising an end to the darkness of war and a return to the light of peace. Will be lit across the UK. **Witney's bonfire on the Leys is part of Battle's Over.**

 **St Mary's Church peal of Bells 7:05pm**  
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