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KPR SCHOOLS PREPARE TO RECOGNIZE REMEMBRANCE DAY

Schools across the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board are preparing to recognize Remembrance Day with special ceremonies.

“All schools across the Board will lower their flags and observe two minutes of silence on Wednesday, at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month,” says Diane Lloyd, Board Chairperson. “As a Board, we consider it essential that all students understand and recognize the importance and gravity of Remembrance Day.

“At all times, our schools focus on the importance of responsible citizenship and good character,” she adds. “There is no more tangible expression of positive values than the example set by the many people who were willing to make the ultimate sacrifice, and to the many who continue to make that sacrifice, to protect the freedoms and human rights that we are fortunate to enjoy as Canadian citizens.”

“By observing two minutes of silence, our students and staff are taking part in a universal expression of respect and honour that is a tradition like no other,” agrees Rusty Hick, Director of Education.

Many schools are welcoming veterans and current members of the Canadian Forces to speak to students about their experiences, while others are attending ceremonies at their local cenotaph. Others are being connected by Internet to soldiers serving overseas.

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