Seymour College Community Poppy Project 2024

Backstory

In 2022, Seymour College welcomed new Defence School Mentor Kelly, who had the vision of a project that would bring our local community together to create something that was unique to our school for Remembrance Day.

Working with school librarian Isobel, together they designed a project where members of the community were invited to knit and crochet poppies that would be used for the Remembrance Day display in the General Office, and so the Seymour College Poppy Project was born.

The initial hope was that we would be lucky enough to receive approximately 200 poppies, but the community was far more generous than we anticipated, and over 500 red poppies were created.

In 2023, due to the huge success from the year before, we decided to change the name to the Seymour College Community Poppy Project as we felt it had already grown far beyond a school project, having reached further than we could ever have imagined.

Our goal for the Seymour College Community Poppy Project in 2024 is to create as many RED and WHITE poppies as possible to commemorate our veteran nurses, peace and to honour all those who have served our country. These poppies will be used to add to our beautiful display in the General Office at Seymour College.

Who can participate?

We encourage our Seymour College families, extended families and the wider community, to knit or crochet poppy tributes to be included in our Remembrance Day display in the General Office. You may even wish to include a dedication to someone with your poppies.

Patterns and sizing

Ideally, your poppies should be around the size of a real-life poppy. If you would like a copy of the crochet or knitting pattern packs, please contact the school on 5771 1300 and ask for Kelly or Isobel.

Delivering your poppies

We are requesting that all poppies for the Seymour College Community Poppy Project please be dropped off at the General Office by Friday 1st November 2024.

Wool donations (ideally 8 ply yarn in red, white, or black) are also gratefully accepted.

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