



Service Children's Champion
North Yorkshire Council

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Welcome!

This workshop will explore the common and diverse experiences of Service children and young people, whilst also looking at inspiring ways to engage with schools, families and the wider community. Looking at the different ways North Yorkshire have engaged and celebrated Service children and young people and the positive impact of projects, such as 'Service Children's Community Choir', 'Welcome to Our World', 'Armed Forces Day for children' and the annual 'Festival of Remembrance'.

Angela Campbell



Service Children's Champion

Impact of Service Life

- Mobility
- Deployments
- Careers
- Mental Health
- Distance from extended family
- Disruption to family routines
- Uncertainty
- Loneliness



Welcome to
Our World...



Festival of Remembrance Ripon Cathedral 2023

Attended by 800 people including 750 Service children and 50 VIPs



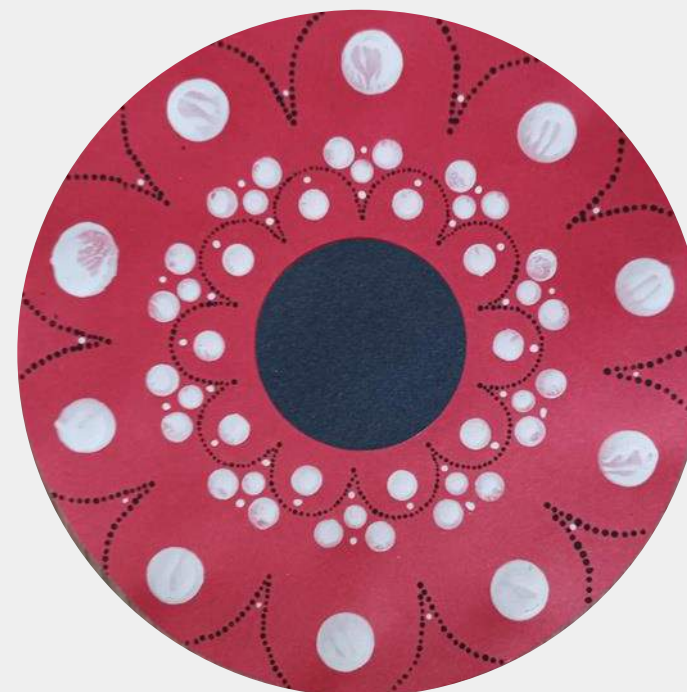
Schools contribute to the Festival in many different ways



Festival of Remembrance



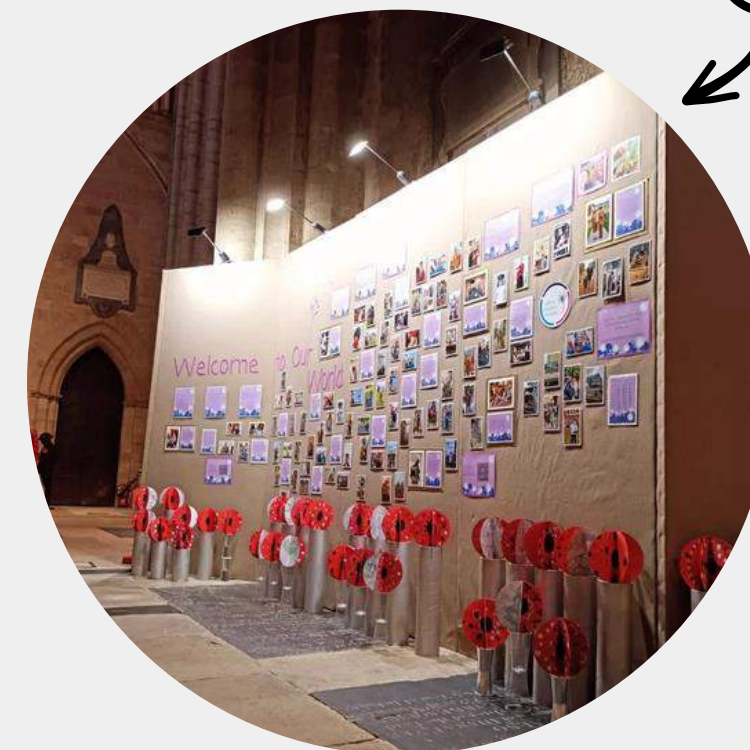
I provided free art workshops and worked with children across North Yorkshire to create over 300 poppy mandalas to create a piece of collaborative art



It has taken place now for 11 years and has become a real highlight of our year



We are supported by Veterans and members of the Royal British Legion



Welcome to Our World

Month of the Military Child 2023

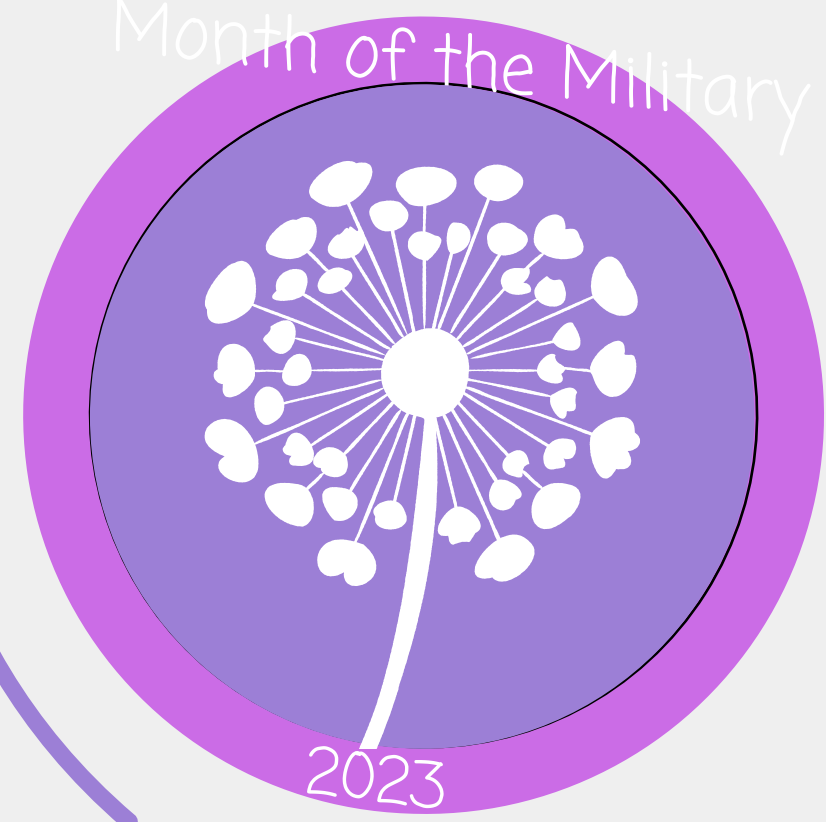
Month of the Military



Photo Challenge was launched at the end of February via our social media channels



We asked judges to choose 5 favourite photos and each of the winners received a trophy and a family day out gift which was presented to them at school




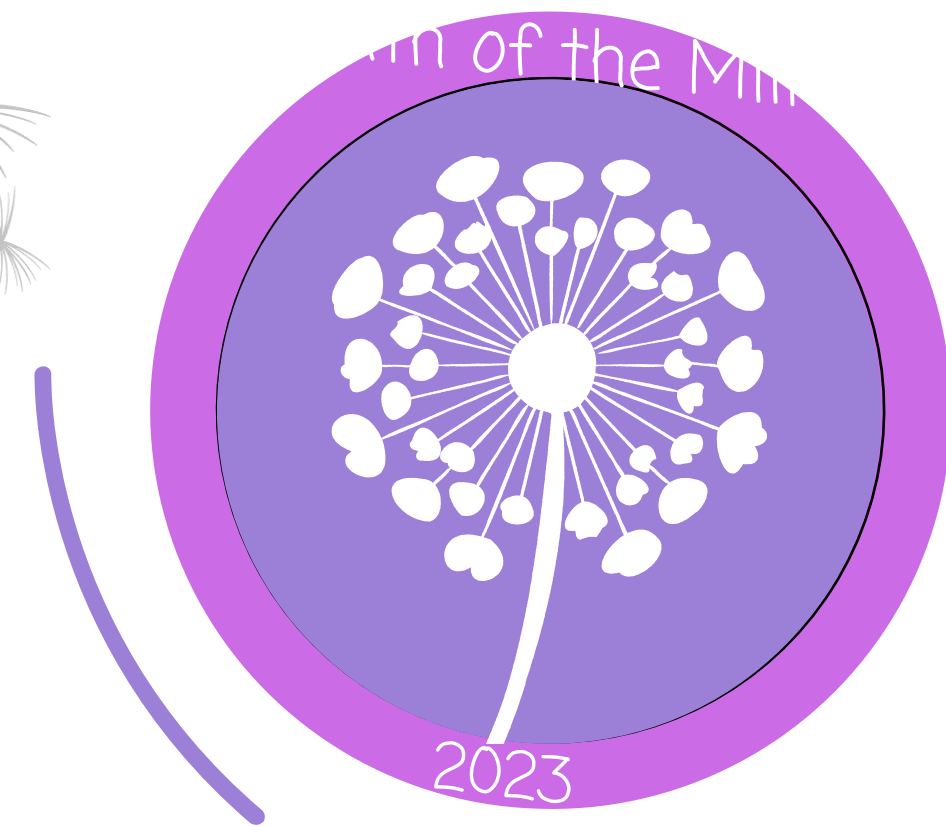
Over 100 photographs were shared with us



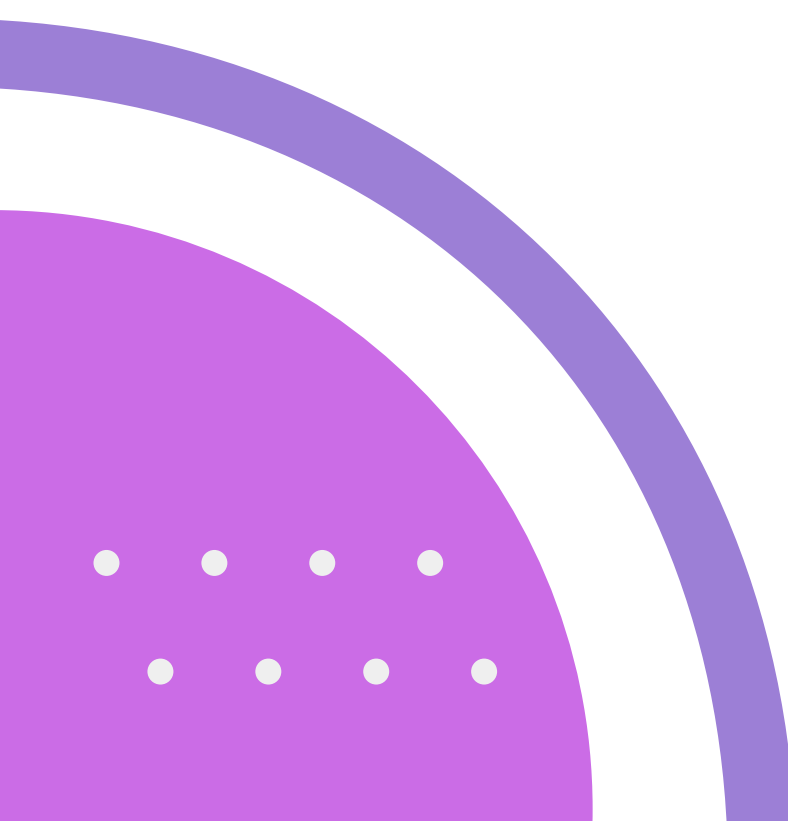
We worked with a local nature reserve to host an exhibition of all the photos and the Service Children's Community Choir sang at the launch event.

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very busy recently...

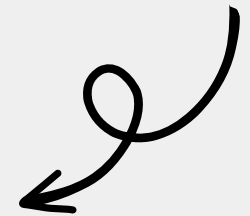
A central graphic on a purple background with a confetti pattern. It features a circular award with a dandelion and the text "Service Children's Champion". Below it, the text "Our Service Children's Champions have been very busy recently..." is written in a purple, handwritten-style font.

Service Children's Community Choir

Singing together as one...



The Service Children's Community Choir (formerly NMKC Choir) was founded in 2018.



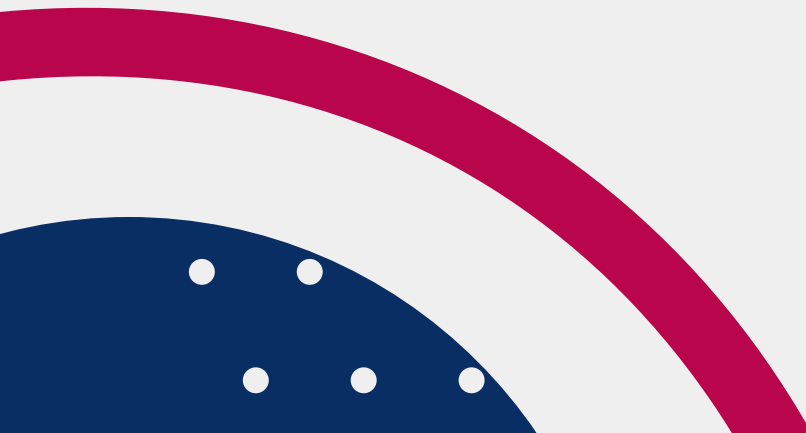
We hold weekly rehearsal sessions with a music specialist which is paid for via fundraising and weekly contributions of £1.50 per child.



It is open to all children (6-18) in the Catterick Garrison area no matter which school they go to or how much singing experience they have had



We have sung for Prime Minister Rishi Sunak who loved our performance!



Service Children's Community Choir

Our biggest achievement..



The Service Children's collaborated with Never Such Innocence to record a special song - Welcome Home



We were invited to audition for Britain's Got Talent and took 33 of our members down to London to perform on the stage of the London Palladium



We took 6 of our choir members down to London just following Lockdown to record at Abbey Road Studios



We even met Ant and Dec and Simon Cowell came to tell the children the news that he had chosen them as his 'Golden Moment'

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Service Children's Network Thank You



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