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ITV News Anglia SCHOOL REPORT 2014



Has your school discovered a tale from the First World War that you would like to tell the ITV News Anglia viewers?

As the country gets ready to mark 100 years since the outbreak of hostilities in the summer of 1914, ITV News Anglia is challenging the region's schoolchildren to share their communities' stories.

Send us your idea and, if you are one of the selected primary or secondary schools, we will provide you with a cameraman, a producer and a few tips – but the rest is down to you.

Your children will be the faces and voices of the story which will appear on ITV News Anglia during 2014 – the centenary of the start of the First World War.

It could be anything from your local area – the contribution of an individual, a family, animals or even a building – that you find interesting and think is a story worth telling.

It could be the former home converted into a military hospital or the serviceman who played carols on his whistle at the start of the famous



Christmas truce. Was there a particular act of bravery you have heard about from a soldier, or a nurse who helped save hundreds of lives on the battlefields? Perhaps your village helped supply some of the thousands of horses for the war effort or maybe your area had a war poet in its midst?



We want to know about the war heroes who still make their villages proud and the many ways this region has continued to recognise its links with the Great War over the past ten decades.

They can be the rarely told stories behind the names on a war memorial or a new take on a well known event.

Can your school find a fascinating interviewee who can help bring history to life? Are there locations close to your school which still show signs of their past lives? Or can you find the 100-year-old photographs and artefacts that can help our viewers understand the role your community played?

Representatives from the Royal Anglian Regiment will join members of the ITV News Anglia editorial team to select ten stories, five from the east of the region and five from the west, which will be judged on their interest, passion and also on the way the children plan to tell them.

Help us uncover the many tales from the ITV News Anglia region and show that – 100 years on – we will not forget them.

Criteria

The project is open to all schools, both primary and secondary, ages 5-18 within the ITV News Anglia region.

The story must be from your school's local area or involve someone who lived there during the First World War.

We are looking for a range of different story ideas from across the ITV News Anglia region that:

- Will make engaging and relevant television news reports.
- Show originality. A fresh and original idea and treatment for the story.
- Feature strong interviewees.
- Include artefacts that have been found for inclusion in the report (Photos/artwork/books/historical manuscripts).
- Show the school and its children fully understand the sacrifices made by people, towns and villages in their vicinity.



Schools must do their own research, write their scripts (with the help of an ITV News Anglia producer), set up their own interviews, and arrange filming locations.

For a chance to have your 'First World War Centenary – School Report' on ITV News Anglia here is what you need to do.

- 1) Discuss the idea at school and identify your story with a teacher.
- 2) Get your teacher to email us at ww1anglia@itv.com with your idea including the following:
- The name of your school.
- The contact details including email, telephone number and the name of the teacher in charge of the project.
- Your story idea in no more than 250 words. We need to know not just the background to the story but the elements you would include in it for filming, as well as a brief idea of how you would tell it. Don't worry – we don't expect you to know the technicalities of filming, just your ideas. If you are selected we will help you with the next steps.

That's it! So don't waste any time. Get chatting at school, select a story and email ww1anglia@itv.com as soon as you can.

The closing date for the ideas is midday on Monday 3rd February, 2014.

Terms and conditions

All entries will be acknowledged by email. All entries will be assessed using the above criteria initially by ITV News Anglia to establish a shortlist.

The final selection panel will consist of two members of the ITV News Anglia editorial team and personnel from the Royal Anglian Regiment. They will select the final 10 reports to be filmed, again using the same criteria, by Friday the 28th February 2014.

Those schools selected will be notified by email.

Schools will be given at least one month to prepare for filming once final selections are made.

On the agreed day, ITV News Anglia will provide a producer and cameraman to come to your school for filming.

A final report will then be produced on each of the 10 selected schools across the ITV News Anglia region, lasting roughly three minutes in duration, to be shown on ITV News Anglia as part of its First World War centenary coverage.

ITV News Anglia will NOT be liable for any costs involved in either the generation of the story idea or the production of the selected report and is NOT responsible for the safety and security of any person involved in the filming of the project except for ITV News employees.

Each school selected to participate by ITV News Anglia must obtain parental or legal guardian consent for those children participating, prior to filming. Failure to provide consent will eliminate the related entry.

Consent for filming on private property must be obtained by the school prior to filming.

A teacher must be present for all filming both on and off school campus.

No contact details will be sought nor should be given by any child involved in the entry form or filming to any member of ITV staff employed on the project. All correspondence will take place via the named teacher of the entering school only.

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