

## History Knowledge Organiser: Year 6 The First World War

### Key Knowledge:

The First World War was a global war, starting and mostly fought in Europe but impacting countries around the world.

The trigger point for the First World War was the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand in the Balkans.

Many battles were fought using **trench warfare**.

New military technologies were developed which changed conditions for soldiers and how the war was fought.

Local communities have created ways to remember those who died in the First World War and more recent conflicts.

### Key Vocabulary

**Alliance:** a group of countries who agree to work together to achieve a goal.

**Armistice:** a formal agreement to stop fighting.

**Conscription:** a legal requirement to join the armed forces.

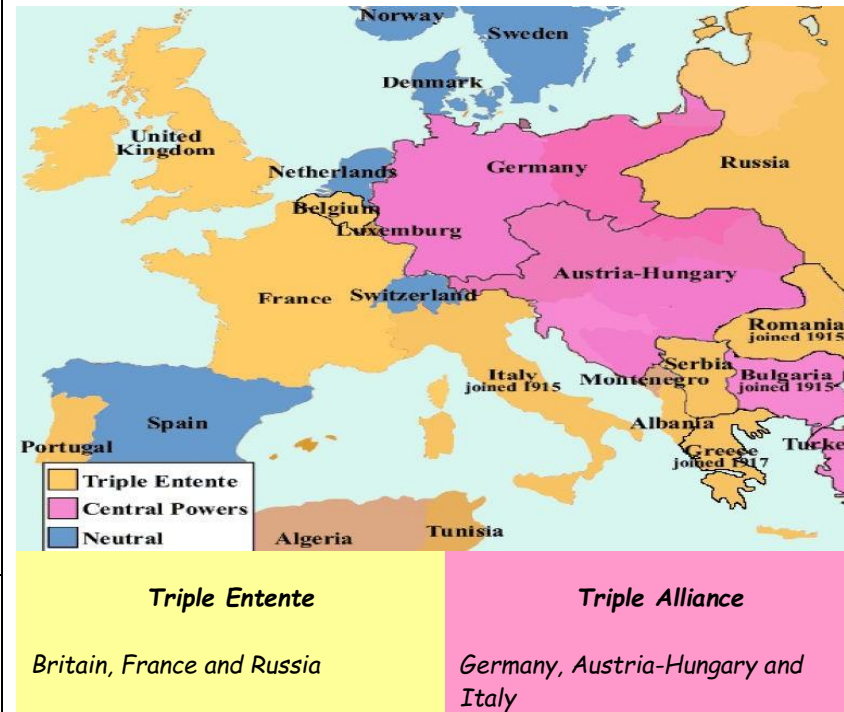
**Front Line:** the area where armies are fighting (e.g. **The Western Front, The Eastern Front**).

**Imperialism:** when one country controls another country or countries, making them a part of an **Empire**.

**Remembrance:** the act of remembering.

**Trench:** long ditches dug into the ground where soldiers lived during the First World War.

### Key Places



### Key Dates

**June 1914:** Assassination of Franz Ferdinand.

**August 1914:** Germany invades Belgium. Britain declares war on Germany.

**August 1914:** Battle of Mons.

**October 1914:** Battle of Ypres.

**December 1914:** Christmas truce.

**April 1915:** Gas attack on Ypres.

**April 1915:** Allied landings at Gallipoli.

**February 1916:** Britain introduces conscription.

**July 1916:** Battle of the Somme begins.

**July 1917:** The United States declares war on Germany.

**March 1918:** Start of German Spring Offensive.

**November 1918:** Armistice.

**June 1919:** Treaty of Versailles signed.