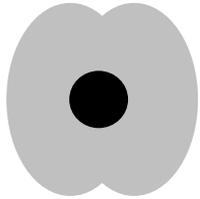


Pupils and staff from Abbey Grange CofE High School have been researching the history of Leeds during two world wars. They have been inspired to share some of their thoughts with you.



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We hope you will investigate our website. You can discover more about the wartime Leeds and activities we have taken part in. We have been inspired by people who gave their lives for us.

*We will remember them.*

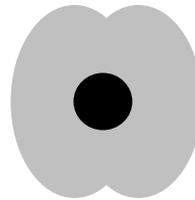
Here are some of the memories collected from our local community.

More can be found on our website.

“I clearly remember the Butcher Hill Prisoner of War Camp. We lived in Wynford Avenue off the Ring Road and used to come and wave to the prisoners through the railings” *Joan*

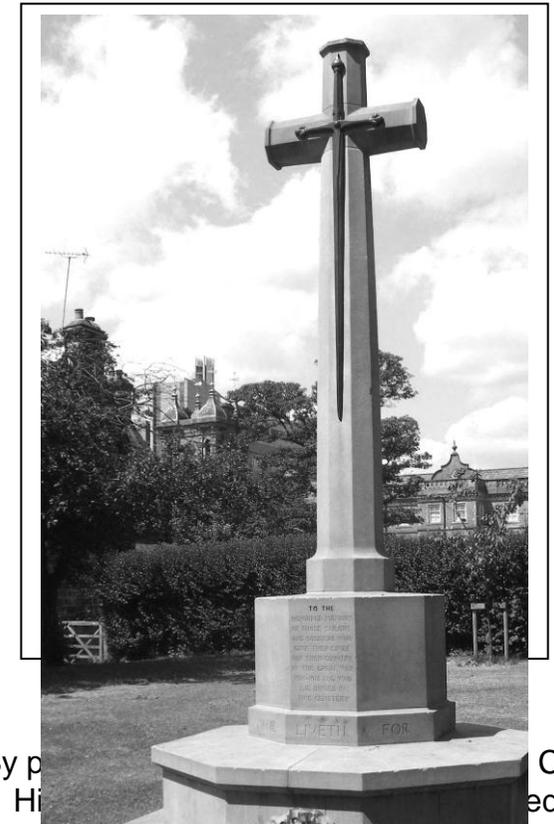
“I was eight years old when World War Two was declared, probably just too young to fully understand what it would mean to my family and me. But old enough to realize things would never be the same again.” *Terence G*

“When I asked Dad what he did in the war his reply was "obeyed the last command" most of the time! He did what was asked of him and did it the best he could, like so many others.’ *Janet W*



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# Wartime Headingley & Woodhouse



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## 1 Beckett's Park

The teacher training college was built in 1913. During the First World War it was converted into a military hospital called the 2<sup>nd</sup> Northern General. There were 60 Officer beds, 2039 Other Ranks and the hospital treated 57,200 soldiers. Between 1914 and 1918. In WW2 it was used to treat the Dunkirk wounded.

*"I never knew that the Leeds Met University buildings were used for this"*  
Sean

## 2 St Chad's / St Michael's

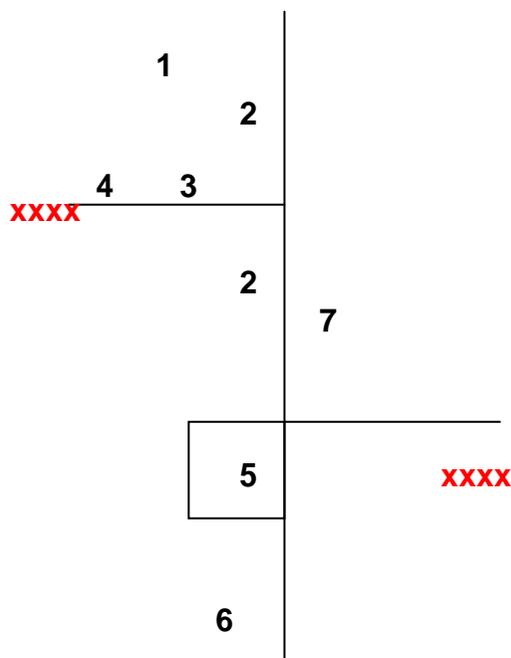
On Otley Road outside St Chad's CofE church is the grade 2 listed parish memorial. A stone obelisk near St Michael's CofE Church lists the names of 134 Headingley men. This memorial was opened in 1921.

*"These men made an awesome sacrifice"*  
Joanne

## 3 South Parade Baptist Church

During World War Two, a church canteen served an average 126 meals a night to servicemen.

*"Who did the cooking? Where did they get the food from? I'd like to know"* Damien



## 4 Headingley Cricket Ground

Major Booth played for Yorkshire Cricket Club from 1908 to 1914 when he was named as one of Wisden's Cricketers of the Year. Born in Pudsey in 1886, he died 'going over the top' on the first day of the Somme and is buried in France.

*"What a waste of a gift. What difference could this man have made to peoples lives if he hadn't died in such an awful place."*  
Joe

## 5 Woodhouse Moor

A large air raid shelter remains under the moor close to Brudenell Avenue. It is one of several public shelters still in place in Leeds.

The 'café' was originally constructed as a shelter for First World War ex-servicemen.

*"I live near here and never knew that the mound of grass was an air raid shelter"*  
Mary

## 6 Leeds University

Unveiled by HRH Princess Mary in 1951 the University War Memorial lists 326 names from World War One and 153 names from World War Two. Ten Portland Stone panels surround the entrance to the Brotherton library.

*"I hope students stop, look and think"* Paul

## 7 Hinsley Hall

Methodist ministers, when Hinsley Hall was their training college, served in the armed forces from 1939 to 1945. A memorial in the chapel commemorates those that died. During WW2 the building was used as a Wren Naval base.

*"To think of all these people walking around Headingley"* Helen