# Ideas Organiser: Florence Nightingale, but who is Edith??



#### **Knowledge:**

#### All about Florence

- She was born in 1820 in Italy.
- Her family moved to England when she was just a baby!
- She believed that God told her to spend her life looking after people so she became a Nurse.
- A war started and Florence went to go and look after the soldiers who had been hurt.

#### The horrendous hospitals!

- The hospitals where Florence worked were not very nice!
- There was not enough medicine to help all the poorly people.
- There wasn't enough beds for them to sleep in either!
- The food was not good quality which meant that people got even more ill at hospital!



# Florence wanted to make things better so she got the other nurses to help her!

- The nurses cleaned the hospitals from top to bottom!
- Florence told all the nurses to wash their hands all of the time to stop spreading infection.
  - · The patients were served better food.

## All of these things changed so many lives for the better!

Florence was loved and adored by all of the soldiers.

They called her 'The lady with the lamp' because she walked around the wards at night with a lantern.

Florence spent the rest of her life trying to make hospitals a better place for everybody!

Florence changed the world by making nursing an honourable profession and changing how sick people were cared for across Britain and the world.



She was awarded the Royal Red Cross by Queen Victoria in 1883

#### Edith Cavell:

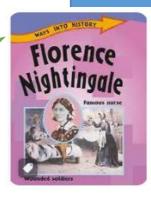
- Edith Cavell was born in 1865 in Norfolk.
- In 1890, when Edith was around 25 years old, she went to Belgium to become a governess (home teacher).
- She returned to England when her father became very sick so she could care for him. This inspired her to want to train as a nurse.
- In 1896, Edith joined the Royal London Hospital to complete her nurse training. A year later, there was a typhoid outbreak and Edith was sent to help.
- In 1907, the first nurse training school opened in Belgium.
   Because Edith had lived there before, she was asked to help manage the school.
- In 1914, the First World War started. There were many battles in Belgium. Edith was visiting her mother in Norfolk when the war started but she returned to Belgium to help the injured soldiers.
- Edith helped and sheltered soldiers in her hospital. She treated their wounds and provided them with money. There were also escape tunnels under the hospital where she worked. She helped soldiers escape from the German soldiers using the tunnels.
- In 1915, she was caught by German officials. She confessed and was killed.

#### Vocabulary and background knowledge:

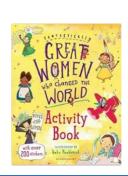
Infection	An illness caused by spreading germs.
Crimean War	The war that Florence served in.
Patient	A person that is ill in hospital.
Red Cross	The award that was given to Florence for the amazing things that she did.
Injured	Somebody who is hurt.
Nurse	Somebody who works in a hospital treating patients.
Patriotism	When you love and are proud of your country.
Governess	A women employed to teach children in the house
Escape	To break free without being seen
Confess	To tell the truth
Belgium	A country in Europe
significant	Important to remember

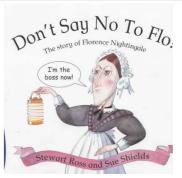
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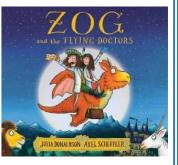
#### **Recommended Reads:**







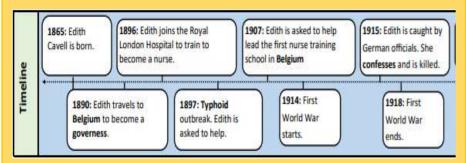




## **Making Links:**

#### **Mathematical:**

Understanding dates and ages on timelines and using addition and subtraction to help work out time periods.



#### **British Values**

#### Rule of law -

Debate – was Edith right to help the soldiers?

**Mutual Respect –** respecting different nationalities.



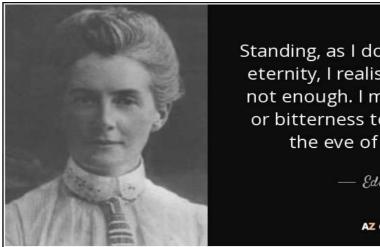
# Values & attitudes we can always show in this project:











Standing, as I do, in view of God and eternity, I realise that patriotism is not enough. I must have no hatred or bitterness towards anyone (On the eve of her execution)

— Edith Cavell —

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## **Quality Outcomes & Experiences:**

- Virtual Visit from a local nurse
- Hospital role play experience
  - NCR for display
  - Sketching oil lamps

### The World beyond our doorstep...

Discussing our own experiences in hospitals.

National

Local

 Identify where Florence and Edith grew up.

International

• Follow the journeys of the nurses across Europe.