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We Will Remember Them...

During the First World War some of the worst fighting took place in France and Belgium. That is where the only thing that seemed to grow after the fighting had finished were poppies.



After the War ended, the poppy became a symbol of Remembrance. On the first anniversary of the end of the war, a service was held in memory of all those who had fought. At 11 o'clock, the same time that the Armistice (peace agreement) was signed there was a Two Minute Silence.

Now, every year on 11 November we stop for a moment and we think. This allows us to remember or think about all those people who are affected by wars, both in the past and now. It allows us to think about all those people who suffer in wars all around the world. It reminds us how important it is to work for peace...to be peacemakers.

At the service, the following words are usually read out in memory of those who are killed in wars.

This extract from "For the Fallen" by Laurence Binyon is often read at Remembrance Services:

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them."

Best wishes,

Nick Waldron

He's making a list, he's checking it twice...

Santa Claus is coming to Town! On Friday 6th December...

The following day, on Saturday 7th December, he'll be at our Christmas Fayre from 12pm to 3pm.



Go Pyjamas for Children in Need!



We will be joining with thousands of schools, businesses, groups and individuals this week as we raise money for the BBC Children in Need appeal. Simply wear your pyjamas, nighty, dressing gown, slippers and come to school with a donation of at least £1 for the charity.

Please note that school will continue as normal on that day – so please wear warm clothes under your pyjamas, or leggings under your nighty, and remember a coat and proper shoes or trainers!

Health and Illness

We have had a number of illnesses that have affected staff and pupils recently. A tummy bug, causing sickness and diarrhoea, has affected all year groups. The Health Protection Agency guidelines, and our school policy, are for children to be kept at home for 48 hours following the most recent episode of sickness or diarrhoea.



Keeping Children Safe Online – This Wednesday

We all know that the internet is an amazing tool, and wonderful world – and indeed we often use it at school. It is a fantastic resource which is growing day-by-day and there are more and more new technologies to become familiar with and to use.



These new technologies, whilst bringing many benefits, are not without their risks and dangers. We want to help you to keep your children safe in school, at home, and elsewhere.

Next Wednesday, 13th November, we invite you to attend an informal and informative evening to hear about the benefits and risks that the online world presents to children and young people. We'll be sharing how we teach the children about e-safety issues in school, and sharing some tips for you to use at home.

The presentation will begin at 7pm and we'll be all done by 8.30pm. The evening won't be suitable for children but we do hope that as many parents as possible will be able to attend.

We'd appreciate it if you could return the slip below so that we can prepare the correct number of chairs, tables, handouts, resources and biscuits!

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E-Safety Evening for Parents – Wednesday 13th November

Child's Name: _____

Class: _____

Number of seats required: _____

Please return to the school office or your child's teacher