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8th November 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Remembrance Assembly

Here at Ken Stimpson Academy, we are preparing to commemorate **Remembrance Day**. This year Armistice Day falls on a Saturday so we are planning to hold our own assembly to mark this event and to **remember service personnel and victims of all wars on Friday 10 November**. The **Remembrance Assembly** will look to bring the whole school together, weather permitting, outside on the school playground.

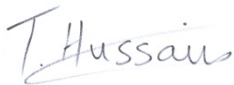
The assembly will take place during **Unit 3** and will have all students lining up in their forms and **standing respectfully** and in **silence** whilst several planned events take place. This will involve marching by some of our cadets and flag bearers, poems and readings of true stories, as well as playing of the Last Post and laying of wreaths. This is an important and significant event which will pay respect to all service personnel and to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

As students will be outside for approximately 40 minutes, we encourage all students to bring with them their coats and where needed gloves and scarves (hats will not be permitted). There will be seating for students who have a particular medical need, but all other students will be expected to stand alongside all staff.

Should the weather not be appropriate for the remembrance assembly to be held outside, it will instead be done in two parts in the Sports Hall. Years 9, 10 and 11 will mark the remembrance during Unit 2 and Years 7, 8 and Post 16 will mark the remembrance during Unit 4. A decision will be made on the day as to whether the remembrance assembly will take place outside or inside.

Finally, I would like to take a moment to thank the History department and in particular Mr Winlock for all the hard work that has taken place to organise such a momentous event which we are all looking forward to marking.

Yours sincerely



Mr T Hussain

Assistant Headteacher