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Dear Parent/Carer

Remembrance: Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the end of the First World War

As you may be aware, next weekend will see the nation mark the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War. We passionately believe that students must be exposed to the importance of remembrance, and are able to mark this moment by reflecting on the suffering and sacrifice of so many of our predecessors – as well as the bravery of those who continue to risk their lives in the service of our country.

I would therefore like to draw your attention to the following events in school:

All students have been given the name of a WWI soldier from Birmingham killed in the First World War. Completing research on that soldier – or indeed any aspect of the First World War – and handing that into their History teacher before 30th November will enable your child to enter a competition.

Thursday 8 November 2018 – Non-Uniform Day: 100 Pennies for 100 Years.

All students may wear non-school uniform to school by paying £1.00. We would like to invite them to wear at least one item of red clothing that day, in reference to the poppies so synonymous with that conflict. Money raised will be donated to The Royal British Legion, and some will be used to purchase Library books which will commemorate the anniversary and form a lasting legacy in school.

If you and your family would like to purchase a book for the School Library, and have it dedicated to a WWI soldier from Birmingham (or indeed a soldier of your own choosing), please send donations to the School Reception, clearly labelled with your son/daughter's name and, if you so wish, the name of the soldier you would like the book dedicated to.

Friday 9 November 2018 – Remembrance Extended Assemblies

All year groups will have an extended Assembly on Friday, ahead of participating in a Two Minutes' Silence at 11.00am.

I would be grateful if you would discuss this historic moment with your child in order to ensure that the sacrifices of so many continue to live on.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N Jones', written over a light blue circular watermark.

Mr N Jones
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