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### 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2020 The Next Fortnight for School and Nursery

## Looking Forward

**Assembly for those self-isolating.**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> @ 09.10 – Story Assembly**

Meeting ID: 842 6974 4547

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> @ 10.55 - Armistice**

Meeting ID: 870 3320 7392

## Children in Need

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> is Children in Need. This will be a non uniform day for the pupils. Any donations will be forwarded to the charity.

## Staffing

One of the things I missed on the Prime Minister's announcement on Sunday was that some people are, "not to go to work if they are unable to work from home." As a result, some children may find that for the next month they have a different teacher. Please rest assured that I and my staff are making every effort to maximise your child(ren)'s learning under the conditions we find ourselves in.

On that note, you may also find that online learning is affected if your child is self-isolating. Some classes will have a full complement of staff whilst others may be down to a single teacher. Please accept that you may find a difference in the speed and quantity of online feedback through Dojo as a single teacher can't teach a whole class and a handful of remote children at the same time.

## Swimming

I have made the decision to cancel swimming for Year 6 this term. It is very likely that Year 5 will follow suit next term. This is for two reasons. Firstly because I consider the local community rates to be too high at present and rising. Secondly, because of the rules and times placed upon us by the high school (through no fault of their own). From a single lesson with 2 members of staff last year, it now takes 5 members of staff including dinner ladies and half a day to provide a (shortened) lesson's swimming for each pupil. I consider learning to swim a vital part of learning but for obvious reasons I can no longer find that many staff.

## Poppies

We shall be selling poppies this week. Reception tomorrow, Year 1 on the 5<sup>th</sup>, Y2 on the 6<sup>th</sup>, Y3 on the 9<sup>th</sup>, Year 4 on the 10<sup>th</sup> and Year 6 on the 11<sup>th</sup>. Poppies only – not rulers or bag clips etc. Donations welcome, no change given.

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## Playground

Thanks to KSII for their patience. It looks great.

As always, I will always do my best to speak to you about any concerns you may have on the day so please feel free to approach me, either on the playground or book an appointment if you prefer.

Mr B Wilken