Onchan School

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Onchan Primary School

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Dear Parents.

As part of our annual commemoration of those who lost their lives during battle we will be taking part in the Onchan Remembrance Events leading up to and including 11.11.

On Saturday 11th November the children are invited to take part in a short service at 9.30 am lasting approximately 15 minutes. We will meet before that at 9.20 at the memorial garden in St Peters' Church. The children from Onchan, Ashley Hill and SNHS will each say a poem of Remembrance. Following this we will plant crosses for the fallen by the St Peter's memorial. There will be refreshments available in church. Following this, for those of us who are available, we will walk up to the cenotaph in the village where the children will read The Village Cross poem and there will be a prayer following the Maroon sounding at 11.00.

On Sunday 12th November we will be meeting behind the Co-op in Onchan at 9.20am, ready for the annual Onchan parade to start at 9.30am. We will then walk down to St. Peter's Church for the memorial service (please put some Collection money in your child's pocket so they can participate fully in the service). We will then parade back up to the War Memorial to lay wreaths. It is anticipated that this will finish at 11.15am. Some children will also be saying a Reading.

You are invited to stay and commemorate both events whilst waiting for your child. Both services are very sincere and reflective.

We would be delighted to have as much support as possible for these events from the children in Years 5 and 6 especially. For our "Senior Team" of children, Prefects and Head/ Deputy boy/girl this is a key event and for those who are thinking about the role next year. Because we will be assigning "roles" to the children please let the staff know what your child will be available for.

We encourage the children through our curriculum and their learning to remember and reflect, this is an ideal opportunity for them to develop both of these attributes.

Many thanks for your support.

Best wishes

Jo Richardson & Michael Kinmond

Headteacher Deputy Headteacher

Please indicate your child's availability:

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None of the above