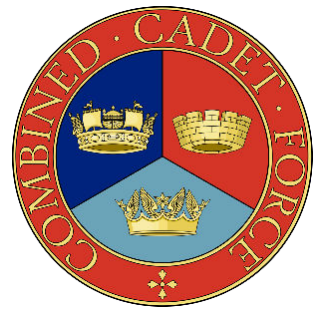




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### Remembrance Sunday Parade and Poppy selling in Weymouth Town Centre 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

We have started to make plans for our cadet involvement with the Remembrance events in November. There are three events that this letter will provide information about.

#### Armistice Day - Friday 10th November 2023

The Armistice, was an agreement to end the fighting of the First World War as a prelude to peace negotiations. It was agreed that all fighting and conflict was to end at 11am on 11 November 1918. "Armistice" is Latin for "to stand (still) arms". To this day we mark Armistice Day around the United Kingdom with a two minute silence at 11am on the 11th day of the 11th month.

We are inviting all students who are part of a Uniformed Youth Organisation to come to school on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November in their organisation uniform. They will then have permission to leave their lesson at 10.40am to go to the CCF Parade square, which is outside the Design & Technology block, where we will hold a commemorative event and a two minute silence will be observed. Students will then return to their lessons at 11.10am.

We are expecting all Budmouth CCF Cadets to take part in this event.

#### The British Legion Poppy Selling, Weymouth Town Centre - Saturday 11th November 2023

Budmouth CCF Cadets and Staff will be helping to support the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal to help raise awareness and funds to support military veterans. We will be selling poppies in Weymouth Town centre on Saturday 11th November, between 12.00pm midday to 3.00pm. Cadets will need to be wearing perfect CCF uniform, including their smock and a poppy. We will meet outside the Nat West bank and be in teams of six cadets at all times. If your child wishes to take part, please complete the permission form on the Budmouth Website. This can be found in the '[Parents Information](#)' tab - [Forms - 2023 CCF Poppy Selling](#). We will allocate a place to the first 60 cadets that complete the form. This is an important opportunity for our cadets to represent Budmouth CCF, meet and talk to members of the public, and also help raise funds for the Royal British Legion.



## Remembrance Sunday Parade and Service - Weymouth Seafront - Sunday 12th November 2023

Commemorating the sacrifices of former and current service personnel in our Armed Forces is an important part of being a cadet. We want our cadets to understand the contribution these people have made to enable us all to live the lives we do today.

This is the one event that we expect every Budmouth CCF Cadet to attend, unless they have a valid reason for not attending. This is an occasion that our cadets can be proud to wear their Budmouth CCF uniform and represent Budmouth CCF in our local community.

We will meet in Astrid Way DT4 7NF at 10.15am on Sunday 12th November. This will enable us to have time to check everyone's uniform is correct and to get all cadets sorted in size order for the parade.

Please make sure all cadets have a good breakfast and are ready for the parade. There will be a period of time that cadets will be standing on parade and we do not want fallen casualties. We will have members of staff monitoring and handing out bottled water if needed. All cadets MUST make sure their mobile phones are switched off. We will move onto the seafront about 10.40am and take part in the remembrance service by the War memorial. We will then march along the seafront to the USA War Memorial, where another service is held. We will be dismissed by the parade staff. Once dismissed, cadets will be ready for collection, or to make their own way home, from the tarmac area of the Esplanade by the King's Statue.

As we now have 150 cadets we are expecting to have a large contingent of Budmouth Cadets on parade.

Parents are very welcome to come and watch the Remembrance Service and Parade. If you plan to drop off/collect your child please be aware that the esplanade road will be shut from 10.00am until after the parade has finished.

This event will happen whatever the weather. If it is raining, please do not use this as an excuse not to attend.

Army cadets will need to wear their Army uniform with smock. Please make sure boots are polished and berets are clean. Royal Navy cadets will need to wear their #4 uniforms. For your information: cadets are able to wear the medals of former serving family members such as parents and grandparents. These need to be worn on the right side of the smock jacket.

We often meet up with the Royal Tank Regiment and Royal Navy veteran association members, so we want our cadets to be smart. Often our cadets talk to the veterans about their experiences and this is a great time for intergenerational swapping of stories and experiences; a real benefit for all involved.

Please can you complete the form on the Budmouth website to confirm attendance. This can be found in the '[Parents Information](#)' tab - [Forms / 2023 Remembrance Parade](#). This is so we know which cadets are attending and can plan the parade format beforehand.

Please email [budmouthccf-ssi@budmouth-aspirations.org](mailto:budmouthccf-ssi@budmouth-aspirations.org) if you have any questions regarding any of these events.

Regards

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