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Dear All,

Once again, I want to let you know how proud I have been during this recent time of Remembrance. The children demonstrated great respect on Friday.

Yesterday we had a surprise visitor to school. You may remember that last year some of our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils attended a service to remember Joseph Knight (an Aboriginal Australian soldier who was buried in our churchyard during WW1). Well yesterday, one of his ancestors Joe Slick called in, having flown to England to be part of the Remembrance Sunday service at St Lawrence Church. He talked to the children in assembly and presented the school with several books and two flags. The Australian flag and the flag of the Aboriginal people. We really need a flag pole! Joe is going to help us link with an Australian school when he returns home.

CHILDREN IN NEED: FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 2016

Charlotte’s grandma has once again volunteered to make us a Pudsey Bear Cake. On Friday this amazing creation will be raffled before school, after Smiley Face Assembly, during lunch and play time. Tickets cost 10p and all proceeds will be sent to the charity. To allow as many raffle tickets to be sold as possible, the draw will take place near the end of the school day.

PTA CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: FRIDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2016 (straight after school)

The Christmas Bazaar takes place on **Friday 2nd December** in the School Hall. Lots of hard work has been going on behind the scenes, so please make a date in your diary and come and support the event and our school!

The PTA are organising a “Rainbow Raffle” again this year as it was so successful last year. Each class has been allocated a colour and we hope ‘gifts/ items’ for a raffle box will be brought in by members of each class to fill the box. The boxes will then be raffled at the Christmas Bazaar. Butterfly Class: RED, Owl Class: BLUE, Woodpecker Class: GREEN, Robin Class: GOLD, Kestrel Class: SILVER.

The boxes will be ready to receive contributions for the Rainbow Raffle from Monday 21st November (next week). The boxes will be situated in each class. Many thanks.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR LOCAL SCOUTS...

SCOUT CHRISTMAS POST - Last day of posting is Thursday 8th December 2016

Please support your local Scout Groups, save yourself the cost of a stamp and post your local cards with us, we deliver cards in and around the Salisbury area (for a full list of villages please check the poster by the school gate). **Stamps are 25p each and are available from the school office.** The money raised goes to the groups who sell and deliver the cards. There is a post box opposite the

front door in the Old School, near the school office. Any questions please call, Emma & Lloyd Turner 01722 341445. Thank you

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CARDS / POST BOX

The school "Christmas Post Box" will be placed in the school hall from **Monday 5th December**. Christmas cards should not be brought to school before that time. All cards should be placed in the box addressed with FULL NAME (first and second name) and CLASS. Please remember this is only for school cards! Please do not confuse this with the scouts either! This is an internal school delivery service only!

IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT MRS. WATKINS TAKE TWO!!!!

This is the timetable for staffing whilst Mrs. Watkins has her operation and convalesce period! In my haste I made mistakes last time. Many apologies. Here it is again.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Teacher in Butterfly Class</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Teacher in Butterfly Class</u>
Monday 14.11.16	Mrs Watkins	Monday 21.11.16	Mrs J Waters
Tuesday 15.11.16	Mrs J Waters	Tuesday 22.11.16	Mrs J Waters
Wednesday 16.11.16	Mrs Williams	Wednesday 23.11.16	Mrs Williams
Thursday 17.11.16	Mrs J Waters	Thursday 24.11.16	Mrs J Waters
Friday 18.11.16	Mrs J Waters	Friday 25.11.16	Mrs J Waters

A FEW PLEAS...

I would like to thank all of you who have phoned to let us know about your child's absence. It really helps us when you let us know about your child's illness; otherwise we end up having to make countless phone calls to ensure that your child hasn't got lost on the way to school. We are not trying to check up on you, we just want to know that your child is **SAFE**.

Secondly, I would like to implore you to park and drive safely on the road outside school or use the Reading Room car park and walk the short distance. Please also refrain from blocking driveways. **PLEASE HELP TO KEEP ALL OUR CHILDREN SAFE. DO NOT PARK ON THE ZIG-ZAGS.**

Lastly, I would like to remind all of you that the only way we can beat the scourge that is **HEADLICE**, is if all parents are vigilant. Please check your child's hair regularly and treat immediately if you find any unwanted visitors. Remember also long hair is required to be tied back!

SOME REMINDERS...

Thursday 17th November: Robin Class trip to Salisbury Cathedral

Wednesday 23rd November 2016: Y1, Y2 and Y3 Flu immunisation (quick spray up the nose)

Tuesday 6th December: Last swimming session Y5 and Y4.

WELCOME BACK MRS H WATERS

Today it was lovely to welcome back Mrs H Waters to her post in the office today. Mrs Waters is phasing herself back in over a six week period. So sometimes she will be in the office and sometimes she won't! Mrs. Munt will also be around during this time.

Kindest regards
Kay Bridson

