

CG/SJS

21 June 2021

Dear Parents/ Guardians

### **Armed Forces Day Celebration**

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021 marks Armed Forces Day with events taking place across the UK to show support for the men and women who make up the Armed Forces community: from currently serving troops to Service families, veterans and cadets. A day of celebration, we are marking Armed Forces Day at school on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June.

### **A visit from members of the 2nd Yorkshire Regiment**

Throughout the day a number of small events will take place inline with current restrictions. Part of these events include a visit from members of the 2nd Yorkshire Regiment who will be displaying a wide variety of equipment, whilst meeting many of our students. During the day we students will have opportunity to observe the National Anthem and salute our Armed Forces.

### **Serving Cadets**

Students who are active members of the cadets are encouraged to attend school in their respective uniforms.

### **Camouflage Cream**

On arriving to school on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June students will be able to apply Camouflage Cream to their face under supervision. This is being provided by 2 Yorks. Should you object to your child being allowed to apply Camouflage Cream to their face please can I ask you to notify school reception by email [SJS.Enquiries@modschoools.org](mailto:SJS.Enquiries@modschoools.org)

### **Message of Thanks**

In the build up to Friday students will be invited to record individual messages to serving members of their family or to the Armed Forces more generally. It is hoped these messages will be published via our website and Facebook in time for Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June.

### **Competition**

As part of this week's events students are invited to take part in an art competition, where they are encouraged to draw or paint the member of their family that is in the Armed Forces. Closing date for entries, which should be submitted to the School Reception is midday, Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June with three winners to be revealed by the end of that week.

### **Donations**

Friday's celebrations are not being marked through a non-school uniform day and therefore students are not required to make any charity donations. However, a collection will take place for students and families who wish to donate to the Royal British Legion. This charity has been chosen as we were unable to raise money for them earlier this academic year because of restrictions in place at the time.

In advance of Saturday's Armed Forces Day, I would, on behalf of everyone at St John's School like to take this opportunity to thank all members of our Armed Forces community past and present for their ongoing dedication in service to our nation.

With thanks and best wishes,

Yours faithfully,



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