

Please wear a Poppy," the lady said,
And held one forth, but I shook my head,
Then I stopped and watched as she offered them there,
And her face was old and lined with care;
But beneath the scars the years had made
There remained a smile that refused to fade.

A boy came whistling down the street,
Bouncing along on carefree feet,
His smile was full of joy and fun:
"Lady," said he, "May I have one?"
When she pinned it on he turned to say,
"Why do we wear a poppy today?"

The lady smiled in her wistful way,
And answered, "This is Remembrance Day,
And the poppy there is a symbol for
The gallant ones who died in war,
And because they did, you and I are free,
That's why we wear the poppy, you see.

I had a boy about your size,
With golden hair and big blue eyes.
He loved to play and jump and shout,
Free as a bird he would race about.
As the years went by he learned and grew,
And became a man – as you will, too.

But the war went on and he had to stay,
And all I could do was wait and pray.
His letters told of the dreadful plight,
(I can see it still in my dreams at night)
With the tanks and guns and cruel barbed wire,
and the mines and bullets, the bombs and fire.

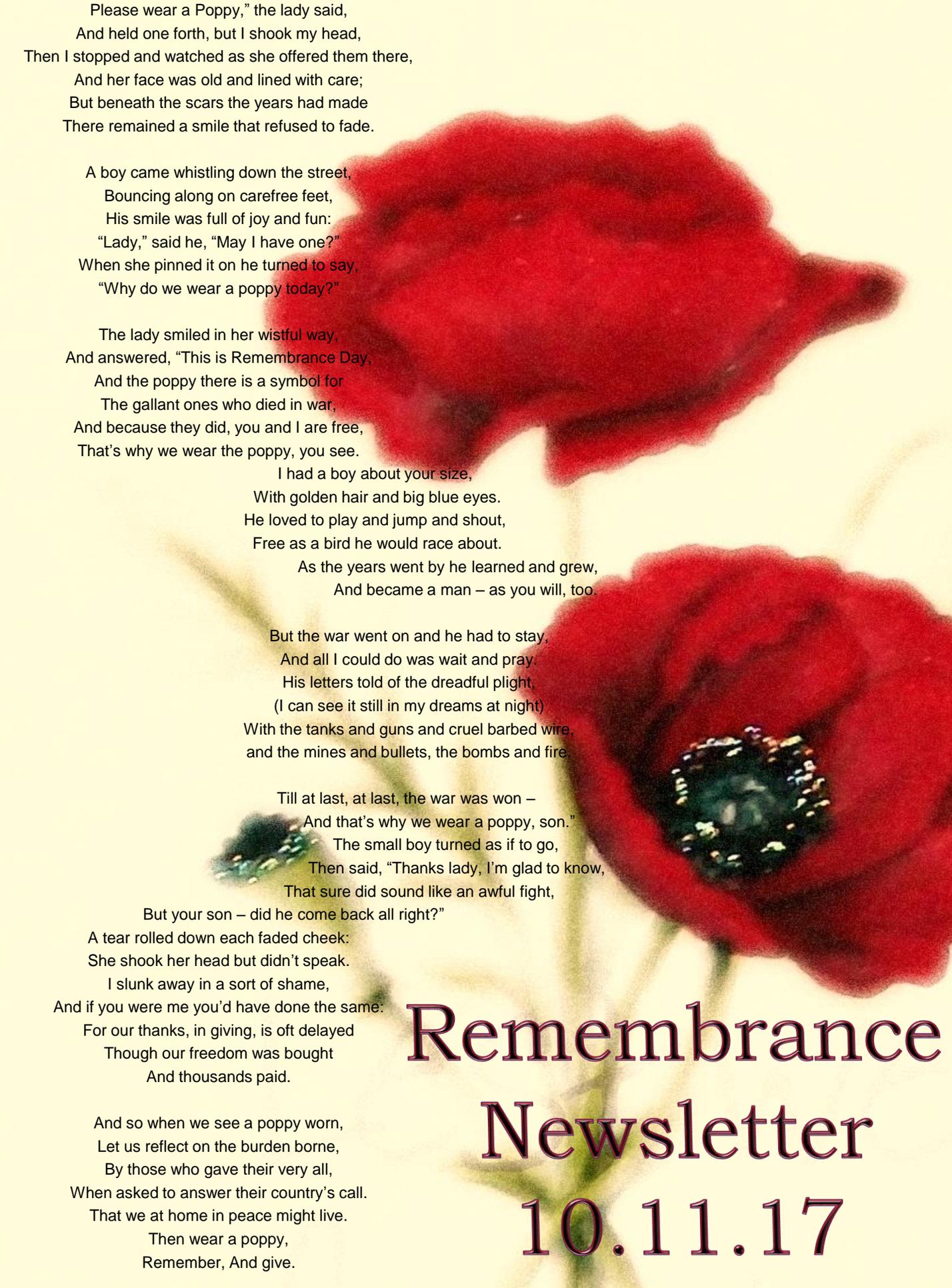
Till at last, at last, the war was won –
And that's why we wear a poppy, son."
The small boy turned as if to go,
Then said, "Thanks lady, I'm glad to know,
That sure did sound like an awful fight,

But your son – did he come back all right?"

A tear rolled down each faded cheek:
She shook her head but didn't speak.

I slunk away in a sort of shame,
And if you were me you'd have done the same:
For our thanks, in giving, is oft delayed
Though our freedom was bought
And thousands paid.

And so when we see a poppy worn,
Let us reflect on the burden borne,
By those who gave their very all,
When asked to answer their country's call.
That we at home in peace might live.
Then wear a poppy,
Remember, And give.



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O God of truth and justice,

we hold before you those men and women
 who have died in active service:
 in Iraq, in Afghanistan and elsewhere.

As we honour their courage and cherish their
 memory,

may we put our faith in your future;
 for you are the source of life and hope,
 now and for ever. Amen.

Friday 10th November 2017 Issue 9

Message from the Headteacher

This year, in order for the children to remember all of the service personnel who have been injured and died in all the wars since World War I; Year 6 and the Junior Leadership Team joined members of our school community and the British Legion at a service of Remembrance Service at the War Memorial. They laid a wreath and individual crosses for all Chipping Norton Servicemen who had been killed in the wars, in addition to reading poems and prayers that they had written.

To raise money for Children in Need, the Junior Leadership Team have decided that everyone can either dress up in a Onesie and/or pyjamas on Friday 17th November. If you have a Pudsey Bear, please bring him in too! We would be grateful for £1 per donation. Children will also be filling Pudsey's Face with loose change – please bring any of your spare donations on Friday 17th. The JLT have will also be collecting your 'round pounds!' On 15th October the round pound went out of circulation but there are still millions to be found. Please check your moneyboxes, jam jars and even down the back of the sofa to see how many you can find. Donating the round pounds to the BBC Children in Need will help change the lives of young people and children throughout the UK. Thank you for your continued support. Have a restful weekend.

Diary Dates for Autumn Term

Friday 17 th November	Children in Need day (Wear PJs and/or Onesies)
Friday 1 st December	PTA Christmas Bingo
Tuesday 5 th December	Flu Vaccination (nasal spray) for Years R, 1,2,3,4
Wednesday 6 th December	Whole school trip to the Pantomime in C/N
Friday 8 th December	Reception Nativity - 1:30pm
Tuesday 12 th December	KS1 Nativity (1:30pm and 6:00pm)
Thursday 14 th December	KS2 Carol Service (1:30pm and 6:00pm)
Friday 15 th December	Christmas Lunch (Wear Christmas jumper and own clothes)
Tuesday 19 th December	Whole School Mass at 9:10am
	Finish for Christmas at 12:05pm.

**'WELL DONE!' to the following
 pupils who received special awards
 this week:**

- Year 1 – William, Arthur S, Phoebe
- Year 2 – Ruby, Emelia, Georgia
- Year 3 – Freddie, Megan, Jessica
- Year 4 – Charlie, Oskar, Kydan
- Year 5 – Lilly-Mae, Charlie, Daniel
- Year 6 – Mia, Iona, Year 6

HOLY TRINITY
PTA PRESENTS

PRIZE

CHRISTMAS

BINGO

& RAFFLE

FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2017

DOORS OPEN 6.45^{PM} • EYES DOWN 7.30^{PM}

AT HOLY TRINITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

EVERYONE WELCOME