

# SPOTLIGHT



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Autumn Term 2008

Parents' Information Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

There is a significant charitable element to my comments in this week's Spotlight. I believe it is fantastic that as a community school we have so many staff and pupils who are keen to remind all of us of those who are less fortunate than ourselves. It is even more impressive that we seek to demonstrate this with the holding of special events which help us to reflect on the world around us and to encourage each other to make donations, however small, in support of these good causes.

#### REMEMBRANCE DAY – Tuesday 11th November

As I am sure you are aware, Poltair School has always been very successful in raising money for The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. I am in the middle of a 'round' of assemblies which will focus on remembrance and how precious life is. Moreover, we will be holding a two minute silence next Tuesday at 10.30 am just before break time. Appropriate readings will be given in classes. Finally, all pupils will have the opportunity to make a donation and 'wear their poppy with pride.'

#### CHILDREN IN NEED – Friday 14th November

Poltair School will also be supporting Children in Need next Friday. The decision has been made to adapt the 'do something different' motif which has been suggested by the BBC. As we do not have headgear as part of our school uniform, Friday 14th November will be a 'wear a hat' day. This should raise a smile or two without disturbing a normal day of learning. For wearing their hat, pupils and staff will be asked to make a donation of 50p to the Children in Need charity. I would like to emphasise that no other variations to school uniform or how pupils present themselves will be acceptable.

#### MARIE CURIE CANCER CARE

In the next few weeks we will have the opportunity to bring some spring colour to an area of the school when we plant some daffodil bulbs on behalf of Marie Curie Cancer Care. We will launch an inter-form challenge as to who can raise the most money for this charity. The winning tutor group will have the privilege of planting the bulbs on the banking outside the Science area.

Thank you for your support. Have a good weekend.

Stephen Tong  
Headteacher

#### Year 7 Parents – CATs Results

As you may be aware, Year 7 pupils sat CATs tests last month as part of our internal monitoring system.

If you would like further details regarding the outcomes of these tests please e-mail either

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#### **IMPORTANT DATES:-**

Various Exams/Re-sits (pupils involved have been notified)

Wednesday 12th November

Thursday 13th November

Thursday 20th November

