

# **BIDDICK PARENT WEEKLY BULLETIN**

## Week starting 6th November 2023

#### **Biddick Remembers 2023**

- ➤ In the build up to Remembrance Sunday on the 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023 we will be organising a number of events to remember the men and women who have given their lives in the service of their country over the last 120 years as well as those who are victims of war around the world today
- > The Senior Prefects will be selling poppies in the Forum every break time over the next week in return for a contribution to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Students in Years 8 to 11 will be taking part in assemblies around the topic of 'Remembrance' and will be looking at the contribution during the Second World War made by the women of Bletchley Park in Tutor Time
- Year 7 students, Year 11 Senior Prefects and Trustees will be taking part in a Remembrance Assembly in the Watson Hall during Period 2 on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November. This will finish with a two minute's silence across the whole school

### **Student Council Election**

- ➤ The newly-elected Student Council of 29 Representatives from each year group across the Academy will meet for the first time next week
- Voter turnout for this election was at an all-time high with a total of 316 votes cast
- All students who participated in this democratic election should be incredibly proud of themselves
- Our new Student Council Representatives are now looking forward to making a real difference to our Academy this academic year!

#### Readathon

- For the next three weeks, all students in Year 7 are invited to take part in a Readathon, a sponsorship challenge designed to improve literacy by encouraging reading for pleasure
- > Students can read any text and in any way they choose, and have also been given a sponsorship booklet to ask friends and family to help them raise money for charity
- > The money raised helps the charity Readathon to regularly give brand new books and storyteller visits to children's hospitals across the UK. For more information, check out your child's sponsorship card and visit www.readathon.org
- Form tutors and teachers will be on the look out to reward spectacular effort from individual students and there will be Praise Points given as prizes to all students who return a sponsor form and there will be opportunities to read during Tutor Time at school and in Accelerated Reader lessons
- The closing date for Readathon is **Friday 24**<sup>th</sup> **November** and we ask that sponsor booklets be handed in to the student office by, **Friday 29**<sup>th</sup> **November**
- Please do encourage your child to get involved in this opportunity
- ➤ If you have any questions about Readathon, please contact Mr Brown