Remembrance Service at Wellington

Armistice Day marked at academy in military town

A sea of green military uniforms framed by red poppy displays was the focal point at The Wellington Academy, Tidworth this morning (11/11).



Cadets, students, staff, and the Mayors from Ludgershall and Tidworth came together to mark Remembrance Day at the academy's annual service, this year led by the Reverend Daniel Harland who has only been in post since May.

The ceremony started with the school's cadet force parading in front of staff and students, followed by readings and poems from the student cadets, students from Wellington Academy and Wellington Eagles Primary - punctuated by The Last Post, Reveille and the laying of Remembrance Crosses and a wreath. This poignant, at times emotional service was rounded off by The Wellington Academy Choir singing Colours of the Wind. A fitting end to a moving service.



Wellington Academy Headteacher Hannah Whitaker said: "I am so proud of our students because they showed that they really do understand the significance of Remembrance. That continues throughout the year too.

"We are part of the military community, fifty percent of our young people are from service families, and so they all understand the importance of today. Everyone was perfectly silent and respectful during the ceremony; there was no shuffling or whispering because they get how much this means to everybody."



Student Warrant Officer Harry Irwin and Staff Sergeant Aston Barrett



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