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Veterans/Armistice Day Bell Ringing

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Announcement

Thank you to all of our 4th graders who came out today [actually November 11] to be a part of our bell ringing ceremony and thank you to all of our residents who were able to gather for the bell ringing. This was such a meaningful opportunity for the CES students! Lastly, thank you to those who serve or have served our country.

I wanted to share the text of the statement that that the students read in the town hall prior to ringing the bell.

Armistice Day

On June 4, 1926, the United States Congress passed a concurrent resolution establishing Armistice Day as a national holiday to commemorate the end of World War I and to honor Americans who fought in the war. President Woodrow Wilson combined this honor of our veterans with our hope for peace saying,

"To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations..."

Veterans Day

On June 1, 1954, November 11th became Veterans Day, a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

On this Veterans Day, we come to ring the bell in honor of our service men and women and our veterans and to promote peace. We understand that they have made great sacrifices for the common good. We honor their patriotism and are grateful for all they have done. We ring this bell today with the hopes that there may be peace throughout the world, ensuring the safety of our service members, our people, and our world.

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