

The Old Cestrefeldians' Annual Remembrance Service 2022

Organised by the Old Cestrefeldians' Trust, this will again take place at the Old Grammar School, Sheffield Road, on Friday 11 November at 10.30am when the service will be conducted by fellow OC, Rev. Ron Smith, and will commemorate around 160 old boys who gave their lives in the two world wars.

It will include a special dedication by Tony Hine to an O.C. who died while serving in the armed forces. We will also have The Last Post played before two minutes silence at 11.00am.

Derrick Priestley is also hoping to arrange a 'Facebook Live' of the service via the Chesterfield School for Boys 1594 to 1991 Facebook Group.

You are also reminded that parking in the area is very limited, although there are a few spaces on Abercrombie Street, including some designated for Blue Badge holders.

The Trust has recently arranged the professional cleaning of three existing plaques commemorating two former Headmasters and a Deputy Head which can be viewed in the Memorial corridor. Its next project is to commission a plaque to recognise the 43 years of service given to the School by Russell Varley M.C. between 1913 and 1956. This should be in place in time for next year's service.

Your support for our activities would be greatly appreciated. Please speak to Tom Roberts, Tony Hine or me if you wish to donate.

Free tea and coffee will be served at the conclusion of the service when you are welcome to stay for a chat with old friends. There will also be a chance to buy:

- Philip Riden's "A History of Chesterfield Grammar School" - last few copies to clear at £20.00 (+£5.00 p&p if unable to collect);
- Philip Riden's Old Cestrefeldians in WWII - Roll of Honour - priced at £5.00 (+ £1.00 p&p)
- Mike Briggs' Old Cestrefeldians in the Great War - Roll of Honour - priced at £5.00 (+ £1.00 p&p);
- Old Cestrefeldian Society ties - £10.00 - available from Derrick Priestley on the day or by email:- theoldcestrefeldiansociety@gmail.com.

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