



6th November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Remembrance Day 2024

The Avonbourne Academies community will once again be commemorating Remembrance Day. Students and staff will gather on Monday 11th November at 11am on the large playground to observe the 2 minutes silence and hear the Last Post. As part of our Remembrance Ceremony, students will listen to a reading and repeat the last line:

“They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun, and in the morning
We will remember them.”
All repeat: “We will remember them.”

We strongly encourage all staff and students to be wearing poppies during this important national event. Poppies are available, for a donation, from student reception, visitor reception, and the humanities department. Please do encourage your child to bring in appropriate silver or gold coins to purchase their poppy and to wear it with pride. All money raised goes to the Royal British Legion, which provides lifelong support for the Armed Forces community - serving men and women, veterans, and their families.

During the week, students will be engaging with this year’s national theme, marking the 80th anniversaries of momentous battles and turning points of the Second World War. They will also be hearing about some very local examples of soldiers who have lost their lives serving this country.

Students who take part in cadets outside of school are encouraged to wear their cadet uniform for the full day on Monday 11th November.

If you or your child require any further information regarding Remembrance Day, then please do not hesitate to contact the year teams.

Yours sincerely,

Tom Kidman
Assistant Principal