The Aylesbury Vale Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Remembrance Day – Wednesday 11 November

On **Wednesday 11 November**, the Aylesbury Vale Academy will come together to mark Remembrance Day.

Why we remember
At 11am on 11 November 1918, the guns fell silent at the end of the First World War. Each year we pause to remember the members of the armed forces, and the civilians, who gave their lives in that war and in the conflicts since. Remembrance helps our learners understand the cost of conflict, value the freedoms we have today and show respect for the service and sacrifice of others.

Our act of remembrance
At 10:45am the Last Post will be played in the Atrium, followed by a minute's silence observed across the whole academy. Afterwards, learners from our Primary and Secondary phases will lay wreaths at the soldier at the front of the school.

Invitation to wear uniform
If your child is a member of a uniformed organisation, they are warmly invited to wear that uniform to school on Wednesday 11 November and to stay in it for the whole day. They will take a special part in our act of remembrance. This includes:

- Army Cadet Force, RAF Air Cadets, Sea Cadets or the Combined Cadet Force
- Volunteer Police Cadets, Fire Cadets or St John Ambulance Cadets
- Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts or Explorers
- Rainbows, Brownies, Guides or Rangers
- The Boys' Brigade or the Girls' Brigade

Poppy Appeal
We are proud to support the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. From Tuesday 3 November, members of our Student Parliament are visiting every form group to sell poppies, and poppies are also on sale in reception. Please send your child in with a donation if you can; every contribution helps support serving and ex-service personnel and their families.

Learners will also be able to see a new Remembrance art piece created for the academy by Miss Dudson.

Yours sincerely,

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