

THE VAYNOR VOICE



OUR FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER



Year 4 Remembrance Morning

On Thursday in our whole school assembly, we learned about Diwali and the celebrations for the festival that are taking place this Sunday. Jaiden in 3KJ shared his experiences alongside Miss Joshi.

Happy Diwali to everyone who is celebrating this weekend!



How and why I celebrate Diwali by Jaiden 3KJ

Diwali is the Festival of Lights celebrated to mark the victory of darkness over light and good over evil. I decorate my house and at the front door, my family paint the entrance with rangoli patterns to bring good luck and positivity into my home. We light up the house with candles and lights to celebrate Lord Rama, Sita and Lakshmi after their victory over the demon king Ravan.

Diwali is a time for families to come together, share delicious sweets and exchange gifts. At the end of the day, we let off fireworks to create a spectacular show in the sky. Diwali is a festival filled with stories, lights and love.



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the half term break, we hope you all had a super week. It was good to see so many of you at our parents' evenings before we broke up for half term. We hope you enjoyed seeing how hard your children have been working and all the learning they have done so far.

This week in school we have been remembering the service and sacrifice of all those who defended our freedoms and protected our way of life through the two world wars. Today, 4ST did a wonderful job with their class assembly by showcasing their learning on WW2 and by leading the school in remembrance.

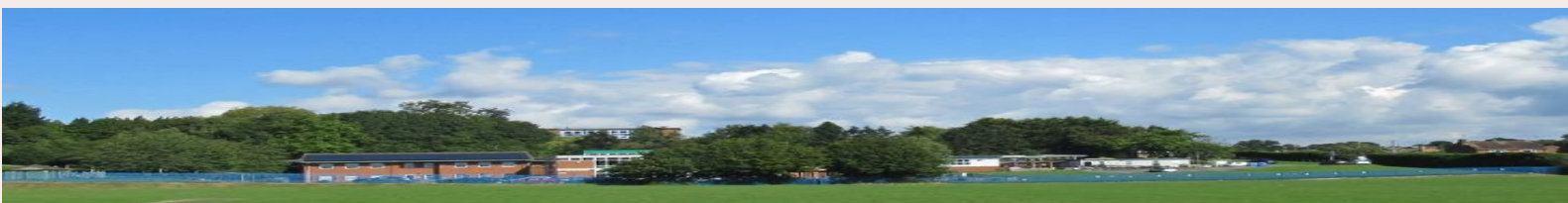
At 11 o'clock today, Year 4 shared readings, songs and prayers before laying poppies near tress in the school grounds. It was heart warming to see the children's compassion and respect during their own Armistice Day service and I'm sure they will remember it for many years to come.

Next week is national Anti-Bullying week. Bullying is something which we teach the children about all year round but next week is an opportunity to reinforce the message of 'STOP & SHINE'. Every child will receive a copy of our child friendly anti-bullying policy to help them remember how to spot bullying and how to stop it. Don't forget your odd socks on Monday to kick the week off!

Helen Colcombe, Headteacher



Inspired to be the best that I can be!



Prospective Parents Open Morning

This morning offers parents of children due to start school in September the opportunity to come and see us in action on 16th November
9.30—10.30am



'Red Reading' challenge takers receive their awards from Miss Joshi!

Come and join our team!

We currently have vacancies for **Lunchtime Supervisors**

Monday-Friday 12:25pm-1.25pm

If you are interested, please contact the school office on 01527 543187.



Key Dates

15th November - Flu vaccinations

16th November - 9.30-10.30 Prospective parent morning

17th November - PTA Non-uniform

24th November - 9.00 2HP Assembly

6th December - 9.30 RCH Nativity

7th December - 9.30 RAA Nativity

8th December - 9.30 RDJ Nativity



Application for Reception places for September 2024

If your child was born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 you need to apply for a school place by 15th January 2024. This needs to be completed using the online system:

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

If you do not have internet access, please call 01905 822700 for assistance.

The closing date for both first and middle school places is 15th January 2024

ONLINE SAFETY CONFERENCE FOR PARENTS—Monday 27th November 2023

We are delighted to be able to share details of an upcoming Online Safety Conference that will be hosting in partnership with West Mercia Police and the University of Worcester. Please see the attached letter and flyer for further details of the vital information that will be shared during the conference in order to keep children safe online. The conference is open to all parents/carers/staff and is free of charge. You can attend either in person or by streaming the event online.

I need to ask again for your support to ensure that our children and families are kept safe on their way into school. Unfortunately there are still a small number of adults who are not taking care and showing consideration for the safety of our children . This is a polite reminder to drive and park safely when bringing children to school. Please do not park along the spur road which leads to the Tennyson Road entrance. Parking there not only restricts access for emergency vehicles and our neighbours, but it makes it dangerous for children to walk safely into school.

Thank you for your co-operation and support with this matter.

