



VPJS Weekly News

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*Learning and Achieving
Together*

10th November 2023

This morning, we came together for our Remembrance Assembly and thank you to the School Councillors who led this. Next week, we are celebrating Equalities Week and our focus this year is SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disability). Our message this year is: **"The same but different"**. The children will be: participating in games of Boccia and Goalball; being inspired by 'The Wonky Artist' and producing artwork of Stretford. They will also be learning about people with physical disabilities and how they have aspired to achieve their dreams despite the challenges they have faced. Take care and have a lovely weekend. *Mr. Wilkinson*

Anti-Bullying Week - 'Make a Noise About Bullying'

On Tuesday, Miss Tidman led an assembly with the focus 'Make A Noise About Bullying'. As part of the assembly, the children discussed what bullying means to them; how banter can turn into something more hurtful, and what they can do to stop bullying. The children were reminded about not being silent when they see bullying take place; about the hurt bullying causes and that bullying cannot be dismissed as 'just banter'.

"We won't like everyone, and we don't always agree, but we can choose respect and unity."

Notices and Reminders

Flu Vaccine - If you have completed and returned the consent form, your child will have the flu vaccine on **Wednesday 15th November**.

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Children in Need - Friday 17th November - The school council sent out a letter earlier this week regarding next Friday. We suggest a donation of £1.00 per child.

Children can come to school in either of the following:

- Pyjamas and bring a teddy (if they want to)
- Spotted clothes or wear something yellow

There will be an optional baking competition, which all children can take part if they want to. They need to bring in a homemade cake on the Friday morning (by 8:50am).

We also want to let you know that there will be the opportunity for parents/carers to come and enjoy a drink and a piece (or pieces!) of cake on **Friday 17th November between 9:30am - 10:30am**. We hope that you will be able to join us. The school council will be helping to serve the refreshments.

Parents/Carers Meetings

We will send out your appointment time on Wednesday for the parents/carers meetings (Tuesday 21st November or Wednesday 22nd November).

School Photos

If you want to order a photograph, the form and money needs to be returned to school or you can complete the order online by Friday 17th November.

**Our Values: Respect, Equality, Aspiration,
Responsibility, Love, Courage**