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Anti-bullying Week

Dear Parents and Carers,

Anti-bullying Week takes place from **Monday 13th November – Friday 17th November**. This year the theme is 'Make A Noise About Bullying'. As a school, we will be focussing on how positivity and kindness throughout our school community can help prevent bullying. We will be empowering all those around us to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes.



During the week, children will attend an Anti-bullying assembly to gain an understanding of the definition of bullying. They will discuss how they might spot signs of bullying and know exactly what they should do if they believe that they or another child is being bullied. Children will also be taking part in activities in their classrooms to support their understanding of the different types of bullying, their rights to be happy and safe, and their responsibilities towards bullying. This forms part of their Personal, Social, Emotional Development curriculum for this term 'Celebrating Differences'.

Odd Socks Day



To launch Anti-Bullying Week, we will be celebrating '**Odd Socks Day**' on **Monday 13th November**. Odd Socks Day helps children to recognise that every person is unique and different, and that our differences are something to be celebrated. For Odd Socks Day we ask that children come to school wearing their normal school uniform and odd socks instead of their normal socks. We will not be asking for any voluntary money, however if you would like to donate to the Anti-Bullying Alliance to support the work that they do, more information can be found [here](https://www.antibullyingalliance.org.uk).

Anti-bullying Show & Workshops – Years 1- 6

On **Thursday 16th November**, we are delighted to offer children in Years 1 - 4 a theatre show which addresses bullying, while children in Years 5 and 6 will attend workshops. Both events will enhance the children's understanding of anti-bullying and how to deal with it. The show and workshops are age appropriate and are guaranteed to be interactive and engaging, ensuring children will be involved and have the opportunity to ask plenty of questions.

We are sure you will agree that working together can help bring an end to bullying across the community.

Yours faithfully,

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Assistant Headteacher