29 October 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

On Monday 12 November, we are encouraging the children (and teachers!) to come to school wearing odd socks to launch the start of Anti-Bullying Week.

Anti-Bullying Week 2018 is happening from Monday 12th – Friday 16th November and has the theme ‘choose respect’, which links to our current school value ‘respect’. It is co-ordinated by the Anti-Bullying Alliance and during the week children will take part in activities around this theme.

Most importantly, Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity for children to express themselves and appreciate individuality. There is no pressure on the children to wear the latest fashion or for parents to buy expensive costumes. All they have to do to take part is wear odd socks to school, it couldn’t be simpler!

THE AIMS OF ANTI-BULLYING WEEK:

- The definition of respect
- That bullying is a behaviour choice
- That we can respectfully disagree with each other i.e. we don’t have to be best friends or always agree with each other but we do have to respect each other.
- That we all need to choose to respect each other both face to face and online

On Tuesday 13 November there will be NSPCC led workshops for the children in KS1 and KS2 about keeping safe. We will be happy to receive cash donations (suggested £1.00) for the NSPCC on Odd Socks Day to support the work that they do in schools.

Thank-you for your support.

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