



Monday 28th October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to share important details about our upcoming Anti-Bullying Week, which will take place from **Monday 11th November to Friday 15th November**. This week is a significant part of our school calendar, dedicated to raising awareness about bullying and promoting a culture of respect and kindness within our community.

This year, our theme is 'Choose Respect.' This theme has been carefully chosen to educate our children about the impact they can have on one another and to highlight the importance of taking positive actions to counteract the harm that bullying can cause.

As part of our commitment to creating a safe and accepting environment, we will revisit our Anti-Bullying Pledge, which reflects our vision for a school where everyone feels valued, regardless of their differences. Throughout the week, children will participate in various activities aimed at enhancing their understanding of friendship issues and bullying.

Throughout the week, children will also study historical figures who exemplified kindness and respect, such as Florence Nightingale, Martin Luther King Jr., and Mahatma Gandhi. By exploring how these figures made choices to respect others, children will learn about the positive impact of kindness on the world around us.

In addition, the following week, we are thrilled to welcome Altru Drama, a Liverpool-based company, for a special performance. Their presentation will focus on spreading messages of kindness, friendship, and respect. Through engaging storytelling, the children will explore the meaning of being 'different' and the reasons some people may feel scared of those who are not like them. The performance will take the audience on a journey through time, illustrating how our differences enrich our world and help us learn from one another.

As part of our Anti-Bullying Week festivities, we are excited to announce the return of Odd Socks Day on **Tuesday 12th November**! This fun event has been a tremendous success in previous years, helping to highlight the diversity that makes our school community special. We encourage all pupils to pull out their brightest, most colorful socks and mix them up to show how we are all different. The more creative, the better! In addition to wearing odd socks, students will have the chance to design their own pair that reflects their interests and personalities. Each year group will have ambassadors who will judge the sock designs, and a winner will be chosen for the most creative pair that celebrates our differences in a respectful way.

We are looking forward to a week filled with learning, creativity, and celebration of our unique differences. Thank you for your support in making this week meaningful for our children!

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Farrar via k.farrar@cvps.omegamat.co.uk

Yours sincerely,

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