

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear parents and carers,

We are happy to share with you our plans for Anti-Bullying Week, 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> November.

This year's theme is *One Kind Word*, which we feel supports our core value of Kindness very well.

**On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November we are supporting Odd Socks Day and children can come to school wearing odd socks, along with their usual uniform or PE kit, to share and celebrate what makes them unique and special.**



During the week, the children will be watching assemblies supported by the Anti-Bullying Alliance and 'Andy and the Odd Socks Band' from CBeebies. They will also take part in class activities to support their learning.

Bullying is defined as unkindness that is:

- On purpose
- Repeated over time
- From the same person/group to the same person/group
- Part of an imbalance of power (e.g., 2 against 1, against someone who is new or cannot communicate as well, etc.)

In school, most incidents of unkindness do not fit the description of bullying but are still not acceptable and can be hurtful. During Anti-bullying week, we will also support children to manage any incidents of unkindness as well as bullying.

We have attached a parent pack produced by the Anti-Bullying Alliance for your information, which provides lots of advice and suggestions to support a child who is being bullied, witnesses bullying or is bullying others themselves. The suggestions are also useful for other instances of unkindness that are not bullying.

Please do speak to your child's class teacher, in the first instance, if you have any concerns.

Kind Regards,

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