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'It Really Does Matter'

11th November 2022

Anti Bullying Week 14-18th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Next week is the national Anti-Bullying Week. The most important thing is that Anti-Bullying Week helps raise awareness of bullying amongst children and young people which helps schools to tackle bullying taking place both online and face to face. The focus this year is '**Reach out - by being the change you want to see**'. Attached is a leaflet from the Anti-Bullying Alliance with more detail about their campaign.

In school, all children will be focusing on this in a class special session led by Southampton City Mission. There will also be a special whole school assembly covering the topic.

For your information, I also attach our 'anti-bullying flowchart'. We use the term 'bullying' very carefully in school so that everyone is clear what bullying is. We have PSHE lessons and assemblies throughout the year about what bullying is and what to do if you are being bullied or if you know someone else is being bullied. If there is inappropriate behaviour which does not fit the criteria for bullying, we still deal with it carefully and ensure the school behaviour policy is followed.

We want every child (and family member) to be confident that bullying will always be dealt with effectively.

On Monday 14th, everyone in school can wear odd socks to celebrate the start of the week – it is an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique. Please take part if you would like to.

The whole school assembly is on Tuesday afternoon so please have a chat with your child and see what they learnt!

Thank you,

Ms Fiona Brocklesby
Deputy Headteacher