

12th November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Odd Socks Day 2021

On **Monday 15th November**, we are inviting the children to take part in **Odd Socks Day**. The day sends an important message that people should be allowed to be themselves, free from bullying and helps us celebrate **Anti-Bullying Week** in a fun and positive way.



Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It is an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique. All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks, it couldn't be simpler! The rest of your child's school uniform should be worn as normal.

Anti-Bullying Week happens in schools across England each November. This year's Anti-Bullying Week has the theme 'One Kind Word' and is happening from Monday 15th November - Friday 19th November 2021.



Kindness is more important today than it has ever been. The isolation of the last year has underlined how little acts of consideration can break down barriers and brighten the lives of the people around us. This is one of the reasons, that 'One Kind Word' has been chosen as the theme of Anti-Bullying Week taking place from 15 to 19 of November 2021.

Following the success of the campaign in 2020 – when a jaw-dropping 80% of schools marked the week reaching over 7.5 million children and young people - the Anti-Bullying Alliance (which coordinates the campaign each year in England and Wales) asked over 400 young people, teachers, and parents, what they wanted from this year's Anti-Bullying Week. Again and again, the young and not-so-young told us they wanted anti-bullying work to be about hope and the positive and kind things we can do to halt hurtful behaviour in its tracks.

Thank you for supporting our Odd Socks Day on Monday 15th November.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Gibbins

Head of School.