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Article 17: Children have the right to get information that is important to their well-being

Article 19: Children have the right to be protected from harm

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Anti-Bullying and Positive Behaviour for Learning Week

As you are aware, next week is national Anti-Bullying Week. The theme is 'Reach Out'. Obviously this is something we look at all year round but during this theme week we focus in on this area and use it as an opportunity to remind pupils about our behaviour expectations whilst also giving them the opportunity to think carefully about what bullying is and how to get help if they have any worries relating to this kind of behaviour.

The children will enjoy a range of interesting and thought-provoking activities next week as part of this theme. These will include:

- An NSPCC Assembly about speaking out and staying safe (you should have received a separate letter about this). They will then do some follow up activities and Year 5/6 will have a more in-depth workshop with NSPCC visitors to school.
- A range of other anti-bullying activities and discussions in class
- The School Council & Rights Respecting Team will meet with me to discuss this area plus assist me in reviewing our Positive Behaviour for Learning and Anti-Bullying Policies.
- Classes in Years 3 to Year 6 will have a workshop with our Local PCSOs, discussing a range of issues, including behaviour when out and about in the community.



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- Friendship Friday – On Friday 18th, we will have a non-uniform day and children can come into school wearing bright colours. As it is Children in Need Day too, they may also want to wear Pudsey ears, t-shirts etc. We will do a collection for Children in Need if you wish to send in a donation for this.

Every year around the time of Anti-Bullying Week we like to share our Anti-Bullying Policy and Behaviour policies with you. I will send these out to you and add to our website once I have reviewed these with the staff and children.

We were very pleased during our recent OFSTED inspection that the inspector recognized the positive impact of our work to prevent bullying in school. We will of course continue to focus on this area and ensure that children feel safe and happy at our school.

The school is characterised by good behaviour and pupils' endeavour to succeed. Pupils say everyone is kind to one another, knows each other well and tries to get along. Pupils can spot anyone 'feeling down', and help. Older pupils enjoy being 'buddied up' with a child in Reception just as much as the younger children do. If there is any falling out, pupils know teachers expect them to try and sort things out themselves. Pupils and teachers are unable to recall any reports of bullying. Pupils use the 'worry boxes' in classes to raise issues. They appreciate the role of the school counsellor who is there to help them if they are anxious or upset.

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As usual, if you have any concerns about this or any other areas, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best Wishes and have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Lavelle

Headteacher



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