

This Anti-Bullying Week,
let's make a noise about bullying.

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WOOTTON PARK

'Ipsum quod faciendum est diutius'

Friday 3rd November 2023

Dear parents and carers,

RE: Anti Bullying Week

From **Monday 13th - Friday 17th November** we will be celebrating anti-bullying week here at Wootton Park School. Learners will be partaking in a number of activities including form time discussions, informative assemblies and interwoven subject specific anti-bullying activities enabling our young people to feel both educated and supported with regards to bullying. This year, the week's focus is on 'Make a Noise about Bullying.'

Our KS3 learners have already completed their '**anti-bullying drop down day**' on Thursday 19th October where they explored situational handling of bullying in a drama activity, team building in completing an escape room, A PSHE session informing them about bullying and how to report/what support is available, and lastly a Design activity where they were able to produce content for our exciting new anti-bullying display which will be constructed during the Anti-bullying week.

To start the week, on **Monday 13th November 2023** we will be taking part in '**Odd Socks Day**.' Odd Socks Day is an opportunity for all learners to have fun, be themselves and spread awareness of the core values Anti-Bullying week promotes, reinforcing the message that we are all unique. We ask that learners wear odd socks to school on Monday 13th November – the brighter the better! We hope that the day sends an important message to all involved that they should be allowed to be themselves and express their individuality free from any prejudice.

Whilst we are discussing anti-bullying within school, I felt it prudent to attach our anti-bullying policy and wanted to assure you as parents/guardians that we take matters regarding bullying extremely seriously. I have also attached a fantastic resource tailored specifically for parents, provided by the anti-bullying alliance; this is a programme we are currently working with to achieve our kite-mark, and that we are utilising to inform our learners and practices regarding bullying.

In order to best support our learners, we have been through training as staff to identify and resolve bullying issues. We felt it important that we were able to give you just as comprehensive an understanding which we have tried to do in this short video about bullying:

<https://www.loom.com/share/cfba5afccb744702973f874673abd6cd?sid=40e6307b-cc02-4f41-ab7b-e071a5e83439>

Lastly, as part of the week, we'd like to celebrate any teachers who have helped or supported in anything to do with anti-bullying – you can find the link here: [School Staff Award - England \(anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk\)](https://www.schoolstaffaward-England.org.uk)

We hope that all the learners will enjoy the week and find it valuable.

Kind Regards,

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