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Dear Parents/ Carers,

This year, we are holding 'Odd Socks Day' on **Tuesday 12th November 2024**. All children are invited to wear odd socks on this day. This event marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week, which this year has the theme 'Choose Respect'. Anti-Bullying Week is coordinated in England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. They support schools in raising the awareness of bullying and creating safe environments in which children can live, grow, play and learn. To find out more about them follow this link to their website: <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/aba-our-work/about-aba>.

We have chosen to join in with Odd Socks Day as it sends the message to pupils that they should be allowed to be themselves, free from bullying. In our Anti-bullying policy it states that bullying is consistently and deliberately hurting somebody physically, verbally or emotionally either in person or online. Bullying happens more than once. We use the acronym S T O P (several, times, on, purpose), to support the children in remembering the definition.

The socks can be odd by being mismatched or demonstrating your child being unique, examples are given below. Please make sure the rest of your child's uniform is worn as normal, including school shoes. During the week, we will also take the opportunity, in assembly and RHE lessons, to remind children of the importance of using 'kind words' and how to report bullying within our school.

I hope that the children will enjoy the day and find it valuable.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Etheridge



Turn your ear to wisdom and apply your heart to understanding (PROVERBS 2:2)