"A Home for Learning, Laughing, Caring and Trying"



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Dear Parents and Carers,

The theme for Anti-Bullying Week 2017 has been announced by the Anti-Bullying Alliance and will promote difference and equality in schools with the tag-line 'All Different, All Equal'. The idea is to help our children celebrate what makes them, and others, unique and help them understand why it's important that every child feels included in school able to be themselves without fear of bullying.

As part of our PSHE curriculum and our continuing work to develop all children's social, emotional and behavioural skills we are planning our Anti Bullying Week in school. Our week of activities will shine a light on bullying, sending a clear message that it is neither acceptable nor inevitable in a school community. The week will begin on Monday with a whole school assembly. I will then be visiting each of our classes to reinforce the message that bullying, or bystanders will not be tolerated.

Our assembly this week focussed on the importance of being happy and children were asked to carry out a 'Happiness Challenge' - to carry out an extra act of kindness each day for a week, something extra to the kind things they already do. For example: say sorry; tell someone if you notice they are doing a good job; hold a door open for someone; give a compliment; take time to really listen to someone; make someone feel welcome; pick up litter; forgive someone for what they've done.

Throughout next week your child may be noticed doing something extra kind or thoughtful towards others. If noticed they will be given an anti-bullying week surprise such as a wrist band, a ruler, a pin or a sticker. Please do discuss with your child the reason for the reward.

Please look at our Anti-Bullying information on the school website under *Our School / Behaviour at Banks Road:*www.banksroadschool.co.uk as well as information on the Anti-Bullying Alliance website:
www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Carole Clemens Head Teacher



