

## Birches First School

Believe, Grow, Succeed ... ...to be the best '**me**' I can be.

<u>Anti Bullying week – Odd Socks day</u>

7<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Dear Parents,

Anti-Bullying Week is an annual event run by the Anti-Bullying Alliance, which aims to raise awareness of bullying of children and young people, in schools and elsewhere, and to highlight ways of preventing and responding to it.

This year's Anti-Bullying Week takes place from 13-17 November and has the theme of 'Make A Noise About Bullying. According to the Anti-Bullying Alliance the theme was chosen because "*too often, we are silent when we see bullying take place, silent about the hurt bullying causes, and silent when we hear bullying dismissed as 'just banter'*. It doesn't have to be this way.

This year, we're kicking off Anti-Bullying Week by joining hundreds of other schools in a virtual World Kindness Day Assembly! This will take place on Monday 13th November 2023.

On Tuesday 14th November we will be celebrating odd socks day by wearing Odd socks! It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique in Anti-Bullying week. We have many learning experiences planned throughout the week to support our zero tolerance to bullying at Birches.

You can also access the fantastic resources and share them with your children, below are the websites you can access:

<u>https://www.intofilm.org/news-and-views/articles/anti-bullying-week-</u> 2023?gclid=EAIaIQobChMIzcOV8uqtqgMVTsTtCh1X0QglEAAYASAAEgLCHvD\_BwE

<u>https://schoolofkindness.org/anti-bullying-</u> week?gclid=EAIaIQobChMIzcOV8uqtggMVTsTtCh1XOQglEAAYAiAAEgLfMvD\_BwE</u>

Yours sincerely,

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