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Dear Parents and Carers,

Anti-Bullying Week and Odd Socks Day

I am writing to let you know that next week (week beginning 15th November) will be anti-bullying week in school. This year the theme of anti-bullying week is 'One Kind Word'. As a school we will be focussing on how positivity and kindness throughout our school community can help prevent bullying. During the week, children will also discuss how they might spot signs of bullying and exactly what they should do if they believe that themselves or another child is being bullied.

To begin anti-bullying week, we will once again be celebrating 'Odd Socks Day' on Monday 15th November. Odd Socks Day helps children to recognise that every person is unique and different, and that our differences are something to be celebrated. For Odd Socks Day we ask that children come to school wearing their normal school uniform, only with odd socks instead of their normal socks. We will not be collecting money this year, however if you would like to donate to the Anti-Bullying Alliance to support the work that they do, more information can be found at:

<https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/odd-socks-day/what-odd-socks-day>.

If you have any questions about Odd Socks Day or anti-bullying week please contact myself at: h.wigfield@bigginhillps.com. If you have any questions or would like to know more information about our school approach to anti-bullying, our Anti-Bullying Policy can be found on our school website at: <https://www.bigginhillprimary.com/policies> or you can contact Mrs Freeman at h.freeman@bigginhillps.com.

Yours sincerely,

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