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Weekly Newsletter

Dream big, fly high

Anti-Bullying Week

This week, alongside schools across the country, we have been celebrating Anti-Bullying Week with the theme of 'Make a Noise about Bullying'. The children have taken part in a range of activities across the week. A parent guide produced by Anti-Bullying Week is available here and lots more information about our approach in school can be found on our comprehensive Personal Development page of the school website.

Anti-Bullying Advice you can give to you child (Quoted directly from Anti-Bullying Week parent resource)

- 1. Be kind and respectful to others: Your child is always watching you and learning from you. It's important to talk kindly about other people and support your child to be kind and respectful to others.
- 2. Understand true friendship: you can teach your child the qualities of a true friendship such as kindness, respect and boundaries. Encourage your child to be open to friendship ps rather than one best friend.
- 3. Grow in confidence: Some children are naturally more confident than others, others are quieter, and are happy with their own company or the company of a small group of friends. If your child wants help to grow in confidence consider activities and groups outside of school that might help your child grow in confidence.
- 4. **Establish physical boundaries:** help your child to understand that their body belongs to them, and that everyone has their own physical boundaries. This means it is not okay to be rough with other people, or to touch, hug or grab them without their consent.
- 5. Make sure your child knows who else can help: Help them think about other people in their lives who they can talk to. This could be a friend, a family member, a teacher at school or another adult they know and trust.

Mrs Drake, Head of School

Attendance

When starting school we shared the importance of good attendance and the serious adverse impact on both the child's education and welfare when their attendance drops off. To find out what your child's attendance percentage is, you can click on the attendance module in your MCAS app.

We have identified a small number of families who have low attendance or are late to school on a more regular basis than is acceptable. We will be monitoring this and will contact families who we have concerns about. Our pupil attendance is monitored by Stockport and we are supported by our Educational Welfare Officer who can work with families to address any challenges they are having.

Please ensure genuine illness is the only reason to keep your child off school. Should you need to book a medical appointment for your child, please aim to do so out of school hours to minimise disruption to your child's education.

Thank you to all families who continue to prioritise great attendance and punctuality to ensure their child gets the most out of their school day.

PTA

Thank you to everyone who attended the PTA's AGM last Friday. It was great to see so many people keen to support our school. Our newly elected committee is looking forward to delivering another fantastic year of events and fundraising for the school. More information to follow soon.

Important Dates

17th Nov Children in Need - wear spots 4th Dec 16.30 Academy Committee Meeting 8th Dec Save the Children - Christmas Jumper Day 11th Dec 9.40 EYFS Dress Rehearsal 12th Dec 9.30 EYFS Christmas Production 13th Dec 9.40 KS1 Dress Rehearsal 14th Dec 9.30 KS1 Christmas Performance For a full summary of dates over the year, our Annual Planner can be viewed here