

Anti-Bullying Week 2024



This year the theme is 'Choose Respect'

The theme of Choose Respect has come about following consultation with teachers and pupils by the Anti-Bullying Alliance which coordinates Anti-Bullying Week every year in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Teachers and children wanted a theme that empowered them to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes.

Imagine a world where
respect and kindness
thrives — it's not just a
dream, it's in the
choices we make.
Commit to 'Choose
Respect'.

What will you choose?

From playgrounds to parliament,
our homes to our phones, this
Anti-Bullying Week let's 'Choose
Respect' and bring an end to
bullying which negatively impacts
millions of young lives.

This year, we'll empower children
and young people to not resort to
bullying, even when we disagree
and remind adults to lead by
example, online and offline.

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CBeebies star Andy Day, and his band Andy and the Odd Socks team, came up with the idea for Odd Socks Day in 2017 and have supported Anti-bullying week ever since.



Odd Sock Day

Celebrate our differences



What have we been doing this week in Nursery?



We designed odd socks to celebrate our differences

What have we been doing this week in Y1?

Below are some pictures of our work in Y1. We based our work around the book Malala's Magic Pencil, we have drawn a wish for the world, then we did some writing and made a My Wish for the World card, we said what we love about the world.

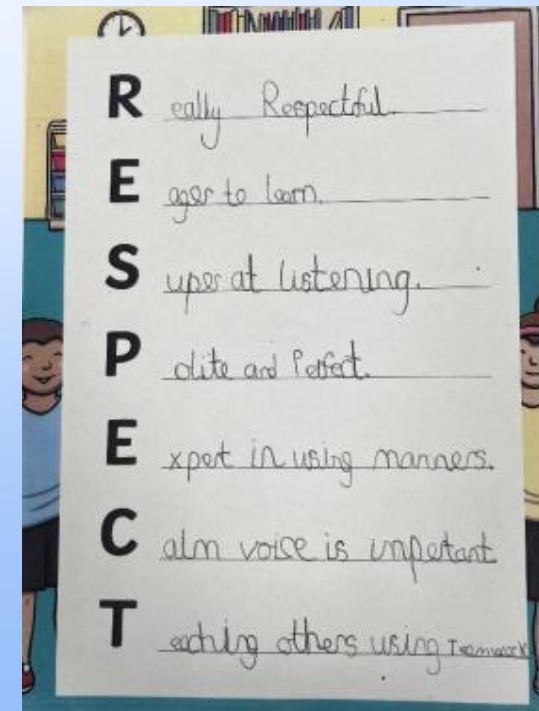
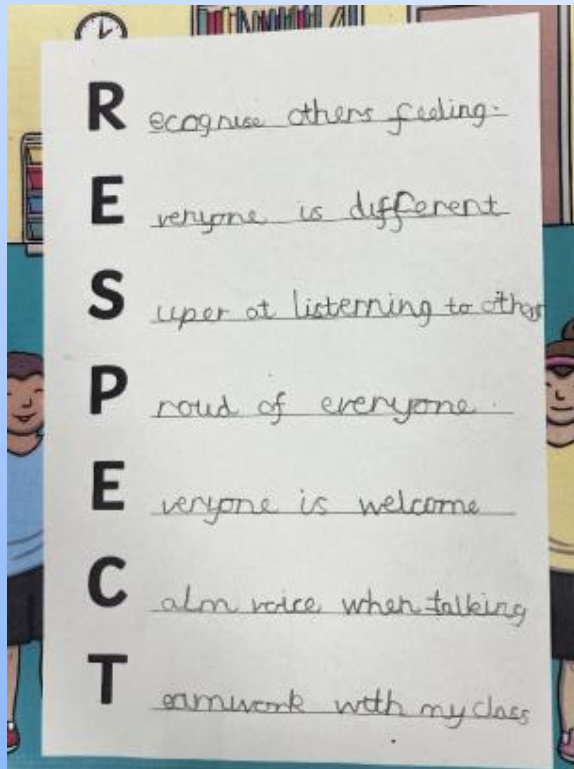
The words respect and love keep cropping up!

What have we been doing this week in Y1?



What have we been doing this week in Y2?

We learned what respect means and wrote acrostic poems



What have we been doing this week in Y3?



We designed posters to show Others what bullying is and how to say no

What have we been doing this week in Y4?



We asked ourselves
2 questions:
What is respect and how do I
choose it?

We shared our thoughts and
ideas through some
drama

What have we been doing this week in Y5?

We learned and performed a poignant poem

I'm sorry I don't impress you, Don't act the way you want.
I'm sorry I'm not pretty And don't have much to flaunt.
I'm sorry you can't accept me For the way I am inside.
I'm sorry that your cruel words Make me run and hide.
I'm sorry I'm not in your gang And that I don't fit in.
I'm sorry that being born, to you, Was such an awful sin. I'm
sorry I'm so ordinary, Not an extraordinaire.
Does that give you reason, though, To stand and cast your
glare?

I don't know what to tell you To make you stop your games,
And I can't think of a way for you To take back all those names.
Please answer me this question, And please be honest, too.
What do you get from hurting me? What does it do for you?
We may not understand each other Or ever get along, But I've
never said one word to you, Never done you wrong.
So do me just one favour, Just one simple task.
Please stop being mean to me.
This is all I ask

What is bullying?

- The Anti-Bullying Alliance and its members have an agreed shared definition of bullying based on research from across the world over the last 30 years.
- **Bullying is the repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. It can happen face to face or online.**

What we do at St Mary's

We believe that bullying is:

- The repetitive intentional hurting of one person by another/others where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. It can be carried out physically, verbally, emotionally or through cyberspace (electronically).

What we do at St Mary's

**We believe that bullying is
NOT:**

- Teasing and banter between friends/classmates
- Falling out after a quarrel or disagreement for example, at football
- Behaviour that everyone has agreed to take part in

What are everyday disagreements?

- Two children wanting to play with the same equipment at playtime
- Arguing over which TV programme to watch
- Pushing in when lining up
- A hard tackle in football which hurts the other player

Our School's Commitment

At Tickhill St Mary's School we are committed to giving all our children every opportunity to achieve the highest of standards.

We also give the highest importance to the safeguarding and welfare of the children. The Governors, Head Teacher and all staff aim to carry out their responsibilities effectively, efficiently and diligently.

Our policy helps to ensure that this happens for all children in our school, regardless of their age, gender, ethnicity, attainment or background.

What we do at St Mary's

- **Staff Training** - all staff do online CPD training www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk
- **Police visits** to talk to the older children - including the use of social media (age of criminal responsibility?)
- We have a **Devices Policy** for older children walking home alone – an agreement that phones are switched off on school premises and handed to the head on arrival.
- All classes have a half term **on-line safety unit** in the computing curriculum, Crucial Crew visits in Y6
- We focus on anti-bullying week emphasising what we teach the children **all year round**



Playground Promise

Kind

We care and share
We are kind with our words and actions

Accepting

We embrace differences
We include everyone in our games

Fair

We follow the rules of a game
We make the right choices

Honest

We tell the truth
We admit when we are wrong

Respectful

We listen to adults and others
We look after our equipment



At St Mary's

- **We have discussion cards to help understanding**
- **We have Friendship Force certificates in Flourishing Friday worship to encourage positive behaviours**
- **We have the High 5 strategy in each classroom to help empower children to deal with incidents**
- **We discuss the difference between disagreements and bullying**
- **Achieved our Gold Charter mark and now seeking to achieve the next standard**

At St Mary's

- **We have an anti-bullying policy updated annually – this is available on our website**
- **We have a child-friendly anti-bullying policy - this is available on our website**
- **We have a quick procedures document – this is available on our website**
- **We record incidents of alleged bullying**

What can you do to help?

- **Devices away at bedtimes**
- **Set up your child's phone so that all messages are diverted to your own phone so you can see what is being sent and received.**
- **Suggested apps include - KidsGuardPro, XNSpy, SpyZie, MSpy and MobiStealth**
- **Alternatively, please check your child's phone on a daily basis.**

Parent ambassador role

For Further Information

- **For more information please visit**
- <http://www.beatbullying.org/>
- <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/Parents/>
- <http://www.bullying.co.uk/index.php/parents/>
- <http://www.antibullyingweek.co.uk/>
- <http://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/>
- <http://www.childline.org.uk/explore/bullying/pages/bullying.aspx>

**And it doesn't stop with young
people.**

**From teachers to parents and
influencers to politicians, we all
have a responsibility to help each
other reach out. Together, let's
be the change we want to see.**

At St Mary's, we take pride in who we are
and what we do by being:

Kind

Accepting

Fair

Honest

Respectful

And active members of our community

Let's be a bully free school