

Dear Parents / Carers,

Black History Week – last week

Last week we celebrated Black History Week in school – if you are able to look at the new displays that have gone up you will see the range of work that children have been doing. I was really proud to watch the Year 6 Assembly on Friday where the children celebrated the life of Nelson Mandela. Watching the Year 6 children speak so well and seeing the rest of the school listening so brilliantly, was a great example of how good the school so often is. Thank-you to the Year 6 team for their efforts as well as all the children at Fosse who work so hard to make sure everyone knows that there are 'No outsiders' at our school.

Anti-Bullying Week – next week

We are holding Anti Bullying Week next week with Year 5 leading the Children in Need Assembly at the end of the week. I would like to remind parents that we use a nationally recognised definition of bullying, the main part of which uses the S.T.O.P acronym, defining bullying as something that happened **Several Times On Purpose**. It is not arguing or falling out which will happen to all children at some point. The acronym is also used to remind children that if they are unhappy they need to **Start Telling Other People**

We will be introducing Kindness Jars in every class where children can share how someone has been kind to them, either in the class, elsewhere in school or out of school.

Odd Socks Day – Monday 12th November

As part of Anti-Bullying Week, we would like to invite all children, staff and parents to wear odd socks next Monday. It's an opportunity for everybody to express themselves in a simple way to celebrate their individuality and show how they are unique. As ever, we want to celebrate how great we all are rather than focus on the negative. Children can make a donation to the Anti-Bullying Alliance if they would like to. It would be great to see parents join in as well ...

Best Wishes

Richard Stone
Headteacher



The chorus of the odd socks song

We're all for one, and one for all
Come together and stand up tall
Choose respect, do you get it?
Respect, can you show it?
Respect, wanna have it?
Choose respect!!!

Clubs A reminder to all parents that clubs do not usually run during the first week of any half term. This has been the case for a long time but I am aware that we have not been clear enough in reminding all parents about how this works.

Outstanding Payments If you have any outstanding payments for school dinners or clubs please see the office as soon as possible. If you have difficulties making payments, please see us immediately so we can work together. Thank-you.

Parents' Evening

If you don't have an appointment for tomorrow you may still be able to arrange one in the morning... If you are unable to meet tomorrow please arrange to meet on another day - every child needs an adult to come to school to talk about their progress.