

7th November 2019

Anti-Bullying Week, Monday 11th - Friday 15th November 2019

Odd Socks Day: Tuesday 12th November 2019.

Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware, we are continually raising awareness of Anti-Bullying at Tanfield School and as part of our Anti-Bullying programme, Anti-Bullying Week is happening from Monday 11th -Friday 15th November 2019. This year the theme for this event will be 'Change starts with us.'

This event is coordinated by the Anti-Bullying Alliance, which is based at leading children's charity the National Children's Bureau. The aim of the campaign is to support schools to help young people, school staff, parents and other professionals who work with children to understand:

- That bullying is a serious issue.
- That bullying is a behaviour choice.
- We are all responsible.
- That we can respectfully disagree with each other i.e. we don't have to be best friends or always agree with each other but we do have to respect each other.
- That we all need to choose to respect each other, both face to face and online

To highlight that change starts with us we will be taking part the "Odd Socks Day." The Odd Socks Day is an opportunity for children to express themselves and celebrate individuality, but most importantly, Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! There is no pressure on the children to wear the latest fashion or for parents to buy expensive costumes. All they have to do to take part is wear odd socks to school under their normal uniform. If your child usually wears tights to school, then they can wear odd socks over their tights or participate by wearing colourful, patterned tights for the day.

Odd Socks Day will be held on Tuesday 12th November 2019. Thank you for your support with this important event.

Yours faithfully

Mr C Jones

Deputy Headteacher.