CORNELIUS VERMUYDEN SCHOOL

Respect, Resilience, Responsibility

18 November 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-Bullying Week 2020 is happening from Monday 16 – Friday 20 November 2020 and has the theme 'United Against Bullying'. It is coordinated by the Anti-Bullying Alliance, which is based at leading children's charity the National Children's Bureau.

Whether it is verbal, physical, online or in-person, bullying has a significant impact on a child's life well in to adulthood. This year, more than ever, we've witnessed the positive power that society can have when we come together to tackle a common challenge. Anti-Bullying Week is no different. Bullying has a long lasting effect on those who experience and witness it, but by channelling our collective power, through shared efforts and shared ambitions, we can reduce bullying together. From parents and carers to teachers and politicians, to children and young people, we all have our part to play in coming together to make a difference. We are all a piece in the puzzle and together Cornelius Vermuyden School is united against bullying.

This week, all students will watch this video in tutor time and complete a range of thought-provoking and anti-bullying resources. Attached is a link for your reference:
https://youtu.be/DOeRmP3XRHg

Furthermore, to support our collective drive, Friday 20 November will be 'Odd Socks Day'. We are not asking for any donations, other than asking the school community (students and staff) to support this cause. Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun, most importantly it is an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique.

I take this opportunity to thank parents/carers for their ongoing support and signpost you to key staff in event of your child requiring support. Please find below a list of contacts in the event you ever need to raise a concern.

Head of Year 7 – Mr J Hilditch jhilditch@corver.rmplc.co.uk
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Furthermore, we have a specialist page on our website (which is checked daily by our Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs Bainbridge) where concerns from students or parents can be raised. This can be found by going to:

- http://www.corneliusvermuyden.com/
- Student Tab
- 'Report an Incident'

I look forward to students taking the time this week to reflect on how their actions may impact on others and seeing many members of the school community in odd socks on Friday.

Yours faithfully

Mr I Hockey
Headteacher

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