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**Dear Parents / Carers,**

**Anti-Bullying week is happening from Monday 15th - Friday 19th November. The theme is ‘One Kind Word’.**

**We will mark the start of Anti-Bullying week with ‘Odd Socks Day’ – Monday 15th. It is an opportunity to celebrate the individuality of all and to send out the messages of tolerance and acceptance.**

**Important Information**

**The law about bullying in schools has changed. The Addressing Bullying in Schools Act ( NI ) 2016 was introduced on 1st September 2021.**

**It provides a legal definition of what bullying is, it requires all schools to have a policy in place and to keep a record of reports of bullying and the steps taken to deal with these.**

**Our Anti-bullying policy has been updated to reflect recent guidance. A hard copy can be obtained from the school office. We have issued information to all parents with regard to cyber bullying and will provide a leaflet to explain / clarify how we seek to prevent bullying and how you as parents / carers can raise any concerns.**

**Our sponsored Walk has raised £ 2450.00. A big thank you to all who contributed.**

**Your support and generosity is very much appreciated.**

**Mrs. Alexander & Staff**