



ST MARY'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Tuesday 8th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Next week is **Anti-Bullying Week**, this event will run from Monday 14th November to Friday 18th November. To raise awareness of this, children will be invited to start the week by taking part in Odd Socks Day. **All you need to do is wear odd socks!** It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique in Anti-Bullying Week! **Odd Socks Day is being held on Monday 14th November this year.** Odd Socks Day is delivered in partnership with CBeebies and CBBC star Andy Day and his band, Andy and the Odd Socks.

I am also pleased to tell you that we will be participating in the **NSPCC's *Speak out. Stay safe.*** online programme. This consists of an online assembly and supporting classroom based activities. ***Speak out. Stay safe.*** is a safeguarding programme available to all primary schools. It aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse in a child friendly way. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a trusted adult or Childline.

The NSPCC has studied the content of the materials and are extremely confident that they are appropriate for primary-school-aged children. By the end of the programme, we aim for children to feel empowered – knowing how they can speak out and stay safe.

If you would like to know more about the *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme you can find information on the NSPCC website www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout or I would be happy to discuss any questions that you may have.

Fiat Mihi - Let it be with me

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Additional resources for home use:

The NSPCC has also developed an adapted version of their assembly for parents/carers to use at home with their children. This can be found here:

www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/safety. With the help of celebrities, the film focuses on how a child can get support if they have any worries or concerns.

We would also like to offer a drop-in for parents to come into school to meet with their child and their class and celebrate what is exceptional about the class. The following times are available for parents to -drop-in for each class:

Class	Day	Time
Year 6 and Year 2	Monday 14th November	9:30-10am
Year 5 and Treehouse	Tuesday 15th November	9:30-10am
Year 3 and Year 1	Wednesday 16th November	9:30-10am
Year 4 and Reception	Thursday 17th November	2:30pm-3pm
Nursery	Friday 18th November	9:30-10am

Many thanks,

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