



# ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

This week, Newchurch CP School have been taking part in the annual 'Anti-bullying Week'

During this week, the school has been raising awareness of issues surrounding bullying through assemblies, parent open mornings and stimulating lessons in the classroom.

To kick of the week, the children took part in an assembly, which introduced the issue and enthused the children, ready for the week ahead.

Following this, each class contributed in classroom based activities tackling sensitive issues such as racism, stereotyping and disability awareness. More

importantly, they learnt about how everyone is different and unique and that this should be celebrated.

During the week, parents were invited to a 'bring a guest' morning to support the children in their learning and they took part in fun and creative activities such as creating friendship bracelets; designing anti- bullying tshirts and writing poetry.

One parent visitor commented on how impressed she was with the thoughtful contributions made by the children during the lesson.

To conclude the week, children took part in an 'antibullying enterprise' where they designed items such as badges, t-shirts and bracelets to sell at a whole school anti-bullying market place.

What a fantastic week we have had!

**Jen Hatton, dance teacher**: Wow! What a fantastic day I had with the wonderful Y3 children on Wednesday. As part of anti-bullying week I was asked to work with them to make a creative, contemporary dance about friendship. The children worked with such focus and concentration that they completely exceeded my expectations. Throughout the day they engaged in the art form of dance developing their compositional and performance skills. The day culminated in a performance for 60 fellow pupils and the feedback was tremendous. Well done Y3, you were a pleasure and a delight to work with.

**Reception**: The children have really enjoyed talking about what makes a good friend and making a magnificent friendship totem pole. It was great to share our learning with parents and grandparents on invite a guest day.

**William Savage**: I peeled an orange for Jonah, he's my friend.

Alexandra Davies: We made worry dolls.

**Year1:** It has been a wonderful week in Year 1, with the 'Invite a guest' sessions being a real highlight! I have felt so proud watching the children carry out 'random acts of kindness' to one another.

**Olive Ashby:** I liked it when we made the friendship chain because it had lots of kind words written on. **Year 2:** Our Year 2 robins have used the story of 'The Bad Tempered Ladybird' to help them to understand the consequences of their words and actions. The children have worked together to make their own

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stories on this theme. In addition, they have designed their individual anti-bullying badges which they will sell next week and written calligrams based of the theme of being unique. What they have loved the most is creating secret QR codes with anti-bullying messages. Watch out for them around Culcheth village. The different classes have also created totem poles with anti-bullying messages.

**Millie Grundy:** We have been writing nice words about ourselves in stars.

**Freddie Wilcock**: I have enjoyed knitting a helping hand.

**Year 3:** What a wonderful week I have truly enjoyed listening to the children's news and watching them develop an understanding towards difficulties people face. They were inspired by the Paralympics trailer! **Sheldon Byers**: I thought the video was fantastic because I couldn't believe people could do what they can with physical impairments.

**Isabelle McCormack-Pym**: I really enjoyed making the friendship bracelets and I also enjoyed performing our friendship dance.

**Year 4:** Year 4 have worked collaboratively this week to explore some sensitive subjects such as bullying, racism and homophobia. The children demonstrated a mature approach to all areas of learning and the discussions based on these areas highlighted what a genuinely kind and caring team they are. One of the highlights of the week was celebrating every child's unique talents. We then displayed our talents through art, putting them all together to create a class jigsaw where we identified that each child is equally important in creating something special.

**Amelia Redmond**: Creating friendship bracelets was really fun. I love making them and I look forward to seeing someone else wearing my design.

**Daniel Simmons**: My favourite part of the week was the orienteering activity. I enjoyed working as a team to help solve problems and crack codes.

**Year 5**: This week we have been writing anti-bullying poems, creating posters about stereotyping and we have been learning about people who are positive role models. It has been a great week.

**Cameron Clucas:** I have enjoyed creating poems about bullying from the perspective of the bully and the victim.

Alexander Percival: I found it interesting learning about stereotypes and creating a poster about it. Year 6:

The children of Year Six have been showing their maturity and sensitivity this week in investigating complex bullying and social issues, such as homophobia. Through making educational films for local businesses, music videos, anti-bullying merchandise and much more, they have shown that they are aware of how to keep themselves and others safe. We have been very impressed by the level of their discussion and their awareness of the forms bullying can take. **Mia Hancox**: We created videos explaining why you shouldn't bully other people.

**James Fitzsimmons**: Anti bullying week was fantastic because all the classes made paper chains about not to bully anyone.

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If you have any concerns about Child Protection or Health and Safety, Please contact school

#### Invite a guest day

Many thanks to all the parents, sisters and grandparents who joined us for our anti-bullying morning. It was wonderful to see everyone working so collaboratively to create friendship bracelets, sewing helping hand squares and writing poetry, to name but a few of the exciting projects of the morning. Judging by the lovely, positive comments, everyone really enjoyed coming in.

## POPPIES WILL BE ON SALE MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER AT BREAK TIMES IN SCHOOL.

# MIDDAY VACANCY

Please see school website for details and application forms.

#### WANTED

CARDBOARD EGG BOXES FOR Y1'S NEW TOPIC OF `DRAGONS'

SCHOOL DIARY DATES			
7-11.11.16	World Food Week – International dishes for		
	school meals		
7.11.16	PTA meeting 7pm		
7.11.16	Y1, 2, 3 Flu vaccination		
7.11.16	KS2 Grammar Workshop (6pm) KS1 Arithmetic and Reasoning Workshop (6PM)		
11.11.16	Tombola donations		
15.11.16	KS2 Arithmetic and Reasoning Workshop (6pm)		
16.11.16	Parent Board Meeting (6:15pm)		
18.11.16	Sweet jars donations		
21.11.16	Progress Week		
21-25.11.16	Book Fair		
24.11.16	Parents' Evening Year 3 Cake Sale BAGS2SCHOOL collection 9am		
25.11.16	Hamper donations		
2.12.16	Christmas Fair and Cakes donations		
6 & 7.12.16	KS1 Christmas Production (9:30am)		
9.12.16	Christmas Tree Service for KS2 at Church		
14.12.16	KS2 Christmas Production (1:30pm and 7pm)		
16.12.16	End of Year Assembly 2.15pm		
26.1.17	Year 4 Cake Sale		
27.1.17	Family Quiz Night		
10.2.17	Young Voices		
13.2.17	Healthy Lifestyles Week		
16.2.17	Valentine's Disco		
17.3.17	Dress down day for Easter egg donations		
23.3.17	Year 5 Cake Sale		
24.3.17	Thank you service (9:15am)		
31.3.17	Easter Bingo		
27.4.17	Year 6 Cake Sale		
8.5.17	SATs Week (KS2)		
19.5.17	Summer Disco		
22.6.17	Year 1 Cake Sale		
14.7.17	Year 6 Prom		
20.7.17	Reception Cake Sale		
To help with family financial planning, please be aware, pupils in Year 6 will be going to Kingswood in Oct.			

## World Food Week 7-11<sup>th</sup> November

International dishes for school meals. Please see menu on the website in the school meals section of parent information.

Please look at our School Blogs on the front page of our website this weekend for the latest class news. THIS WEEK IT IS THE TURN OF:

NEWCHURCH BLOG MATHEMATICS READING BLOG Year 4 Year 2 Year REC

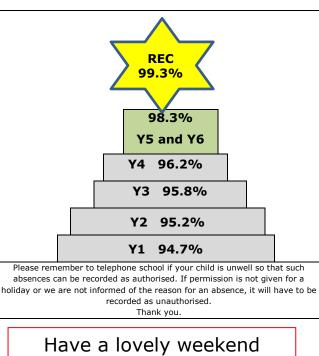
#### PTA BAGS2SCHOOL 9AM 24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2016

Bags have been sent out. Please do not send in curtains or duvets. All monies go towards the PTA fundraising. Thank you.

#### READING LADDER w/e 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2016

Y4 82%	-
Y5 79%	+
REC 75	=
Y3 69%	+
Y2 65%	-
Y1 51%	+
Y6 43%	-

Attendance w/c 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016 Our whole target is 97.5%



from all the staff