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Dear Parent/ Carer,

Anti-bullying Week – One Kind Word and Odd Socks Day

Next week (Monday 15th – Friday 19th November) is Anti-Bullying Week with the theme of “One Kind Word”. We will be using assemblies, PSHE and other lessons to heighten children’s awareness of the issues around Bullying.

We will be launching the week with an Odd Socks Day on Monday 15th November. This is designed to be fun and an opportunity for children to express themselves and celebrate their uniqueness without the need to wear the latest fashion or buy expensive costumes. Children will need to wear their normal school uniform (or PE kit if they normally wear this on a Monday), but with added odd socks. These can be as colourful as you like. The socks could be worn on top of tights or just instead of their normal pair of school socks.

The main purpose of the day is to raise awareness of the issues and promote the message of acceptance, understanding and respect. If you wish, you could send in a donation, which would be given to the Anti-bullying Alliance who organise the week, but this is entirely voluntary, and not expected, as we realise that there are many fundraising events taking place during November.

Road Safety Week – Road Safety Heroes

Road Safety Week, organised by the charity Brake, will also take place from Monday 15th to Friday 19th November. The theme this year is Road Safety Heroes and aims to celebrate the heroic work of road safety professionals and explain how we can all play a part in making journeys safer for everyone. For Years 3 and 4, this will build on their recent experience of the Louis Taylor Road Safety Roadshow before half term. We will be raising awareness throughout the whole school with an assembly, supporting lessons and extra activities.

Wokingham Be bright Be Seen

Wokingham are very pleased to launch their Be Bright Be Seen competition, highlighting the need to wear bright clothes as the winter days get shorter. They are asking pupils to design an image or logo to go on the back of a high visibility jacket. The winner will have their design made into jackets for their whole class. Simple black and white designs will look best on the jacket. Please make sure that you include your name, class and Oaklands Junior School to your entry. Closing date is 17th December – send entries to myjourney@wokingham.gov.uk

We hope that the children at Oaklands will have an informative and fun week, considering important issues and, we hope, learning how to keep themselves and other people safe.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "H West". The letters are cursive and slightly slanted to the right.

Mrs H West
Headteacher