



# THE SOLENT SCHOOLS

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Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Solent Schools will be supporting the National Anti-Bullying 2020 Week from 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

The Infant School will be using the book, 'Giraffes Can't Dance' as a way to promote a positive message about how it is okay to be different. Discussions will arise from this book about positive and negative behaviours towards others and how that makes people feel. We will explore what to do if others behave unkindly towards you and we will define the word 'bully'.

The Junior School will be drawing inspiration from an animated video clip entitled 'Ian'. The story depicts a young boy, who faces various challenges, attempting to join in with his peers on the playground. We will discuss how the children's reactions impact upon not only the boy, but also the other children on the playground. This ties in with this year's Anti-Bullying theme around everybody playing an important part in the prevention of bullying. Each year group will be incorporating this into their PSHE discussions and completing a creative writing task related to this.

On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2020, everyone in both the Infant and Junior School is invited to come to school wearing odd socks for the day. This will highlight the importance of tolerance and acceptance, and to celebrate the wonderful differences which make us all so unique and special.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Wilby  
Executive Headteacher

Mrs Peterkin-Aldred  
Head of School

Mrs Curthoys  
Head of School