

# STANLEY PARK JUNIOR SCHOOL

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A "Sense of Pride"

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> November Anti-Bullying and Road Safety Week

Each year at SPJS we participate in Anti-Bullying Week. Many schools like us across the country use this week to focus on further educating children on what bullying is and to empower them take action against it.

The theme this year is '**United Against Bullying**'. The Anti-Bullying Alliance have set the following key aims:

- To channel our collective power, through shared efforts and shared ambitions, to reduce bullying together.
- To encourage everyone, from parents and carers, to teachers and politicians, to children and young people. We all have a part to play in coming together to make a difference.
- To realise that we're all a piece in the puzzle, and together, we're united against bullying.



At SPJS, the children's English lessons this week will incorporate an anti-bullying theme. A year group assembly will also allow time to reflect on what bullying is and how we can all unite to make a difference.

**Odd Socks Day - Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November** - On this day, we would like children to express themselves and their individuality by wearing odd socks to school. The more individual and different, the better!

### **What can you do to support us to stop bullying and participate in Anti-Bullying Week?**

- ✓ Talk to your child about bullying and Anti-Bullying Week. The Anti-Bullying Alliance provides a definition of bullying, which might be helpful to you during discussions: *the repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power*. Along with this email, you will also find the Anti-Bullying Alliance Parent Pack which provides further advice and support.
- ✓ Come and talk to us! If you are worried about your child or have any concerns regarding bullying, please come and speak to us about it.
- ✓ Use our anti-bullying guidance and flowchart on page 8&9 of the home-school book to guide you on dealing with suspected bullying situations.

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SPJS will also be taking part in Road Safety Week. This year's theme, coordinated by Brake, is 'No Need to Speed'.

The idea is to help everyone understand why speed matters for safe and healthy journeys. Slower traffic makes places feel more welcoming for the people who live, work and play in them. This can mean more people choosing to walk and cycle to get around and more people interacting with each other on the street, creating fitter, healthier and happier communities.

**NO NEED  
TO SPEED**  
ROAD SAFETY WEEK   
16-22 November 2020

In class, the children will be discussing:

- ✓ ways in which they can make responsible choices while travelling around the roads in our local area;
- ✓ Stop, Look, Listen, Think;
- ✓ using a marked crossing (such as a pelican crossing or zebra crossing) when possible to cross the many busy roads around our school;
- ✓ ways in which they can ensure that they are visible to drivers, trying to avoid crossing roads between parked cars or on a bend, and by wearing bright, reflective clothing.

This week would be an ideal opportunity for you to talk to your child about their road safety and ways in which you as a family could make a difference to your community. Perhaps you could find ways in which you could walk to school more, or park slightly further away to reduce the congestion around our school.

We hope that a special focus this week will help to further protect and equip our children with skills for the future.

Yours sincerely,  
Mrs Gray