

BEARWOOD Primary and Nursery School

Headteacher Mrs Laura Bennett
Deputy Headteacher Mrs Sally Wall

Bearwood Primary and Nursery School
Barons Road
Bearwood
Bournemouth
BH11 9UN

Phone: 01202 590703
Fax: 01202 590703
email: school@bearwood.poole.sch.uk
Web: www.bearwood.poole.sch.uk

Friday 19th November

Dear Parents/Carers,

Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 15th November - Friday 19th November 2021

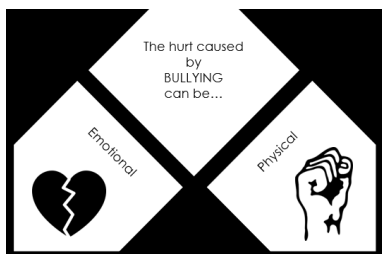
Anti-Bullying Week is coordinated annually in England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. This year at Bearwood Primary and Nursery School our focus has been- 'SPOT IT to STOP IT'.



Our aim is that by the end of the week all children will understand what bullying is, its impact on children's wellbeing, and what children should do if they are being bullied or suspect someone else is being bullied. The children will take part in a number of assemblies and lessons throughout the week to explore these important questions.

At Bearwood Primary and Nursery School we define bullying as 'behaviour by an individual or group, repeated over time, that intentionally hurts another individual or group either physically or emotionally.' We use the acronym STOP to define bullying to the children - Several Times On Purpose.

Bullying is
hurtful
behaviour
that
happens...
Several
Times
On
Purpose



Bullying can take a number of forms and can take place in the classroom, playground, toilets, on the journey to and from school, outside school and in cyberspace.

Bullying may be related to race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, special educational needs or disabilities or appearance. It might be motivated by actual differences between children, or perceived differences.

At Bearwood Primary and Nursery School we do not tolerate bullying. We nurture a culture of respect and believe that every member of our school community has the right to feel safe and secure.

Our staff are committed to working together with children and their families to combat and, hopefully in time, to eradicate bullying. Miss Prince is the Anti-Bullying Champion and has additional training to deal appropriately with concerns about bullying.



Bearwood Primary and Nursery is a founding school of the Hillary Trust. Registered in England and Wales – Number 10286967

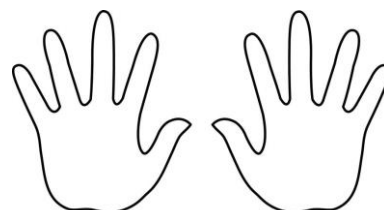
Registered office Unit E Mill Street, Nursling Street, Nursling, Southampton, England, SO16 0AJ
An Exempt Charity and Company Limited by Guarantee, VAT registration number: 197 0569 67



Children who are concerned about bullying are advised to make their feelings about unwanted hurtful behaviour clear to the person who is carrying it out. This helps potential perpetrators to recognise the impact of their actions and often prevents the continuation of unintentional hurtful behaviours.

We teach the children to use the simple phrase
“Please STOP, I don't like that”
to communicate their feelings clearly and politely.

If unwanted hurtful behaviours continue children are advised to tell a trusted adult. This week all the children will be encouraged to think about which adults who can trust to help them resolve difficulties they experience with bullying. They will have the opportunity to create 'Helping Hands' posters to remind them who these adults are.



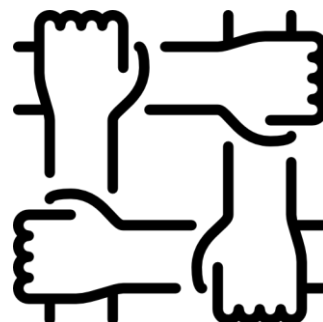
This week a number of children in Years 5 and 6 have been appointed as Peer Mentors. These children will have an important role in helping to tackle bullying at our school.

They will receive training to help them to identify and deal with bullying behaviours, to manage conflict through peer mediation and to promote positive playtimes and pupil wellbeing.

As a Parent/Carer you can support your child by:

- Advising your child to report any bullying to a member of staff
- Being sympathetic and supportive towards your child, and reassuring them that appropriate action will be taken
- Informing a member of staff of any suspected bullying, even if your child is not involved
- Co-operating with the school if your child is accused of bullying

For more information on your responsibilities and the strategies we use to prevent and respond to bullying please see our Anti-Bullying policy which is updated annually and published on the school website.



We are extremely grateful for your ongoing support. If you have any questions about bullying or wish to discuss a concern please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office on 01202 590703.

O. Prince

Miss Prince
Pupil Engagement and Welfare Officer



Bearwood Primary and Nursery is a founding school of the Hillary Trust. Registered in England and Wales –
Number 10286967

Registered office Unit E Mill Street, Nursling Street, Nursling, Southampton, England, SO16 0AJ
An Exempt Charity and Company Limited by Guarantee, VAT registration number: 197 0569 67