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Dear Parent/Carer

Can I draw your attention to some important dates for the coming half term?

**Anti-Bullying Week runs from 12th - 16th November.** The theme for Anti-Bullying Week 2018 is: 'Choose Respect' We will hold Odd Socks Day for Anti-Bullying Week on the first day of Anti-Bullying Week (12th November), please allow your child to come to school in odd socks.

The aims of this week are to support schools and other settings to help children and young people, school staff, parents and other professionals who work with children to understand:

- **The definition of respect**
- **That we can respectfully disagree with each other i.e. we don't have to be best friends or always agree with each other but we do have to respect each other**
- **That we all need to choose to respect each other both face to face and online**

**Children in Need Friday 16<sup>th</sup> 2018** children can choose to come to school in fancy dress or their own clothes for a donation of £1, in addition children can pay £2.00 to have their photograph taken with a giant Pudsey Bear.

**Wellbeing Award for Schools** during the coming year we are hoping to achieve the Wellbeing Award for Schools. This whole-school award focuses on ensuring effective practice and provision is in place that promotes the emotional wellbeing and mental health of both staff and pupils.

The award has a focus on changing the long-term culture of a school, and embedding an ethos where mental health is regarded as the responsibility of all.

Yours sincerely

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