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To all Parents/Carers,

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Making Friendship Potions in Y1



Buddy Reading in Y3

This week has been Anti-Bullying Week at Markeaton and the children have been taking part in a number of different activities in order to shine a light on this year's theme of 'Choose Respect'.

At the beginning of the week the children sat in assembly and talked about what respect meant and how one person could show respect to another (including this <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Of5CxXz662Y&feature=youtu.be>).

Some of the answers included 'making someone feel cared for and safe' and 'treating everyone the same even though we are all different'. The children have really enjoyed this week (including odd socks day today!) but have been reminded that choosing respect is something we should all do, all of the time. Anti-Bullying Week is a really important week but the key messages should stay with us for a lot longer.

Today was also Children in Need day so thank you for all your kind donations. There was a 'Bring and Buy' sale in the playground last night too so a big thank you to Mia and her team of helpers who raised a lot of money!

In other news, this week was Parents/Carers Meetings and the feedback from the meetings in general and how they were organised etc has been positive. Since the school has grown in size, we have had to move the meetings around school as the hall is simply not big enough for us all! Given how successful it was, this will likely be the blueprint for the future. Please remember, if you could not make your meeting for whatever reason then please contact school to arrange an appointment. It is very important that we have the opportunity to discuss how your child has settled in and the progress they have made so far.

And finally, just as a reminder to all Y5 Parents/Carers with children in Miss Herriman's class, next Thursday Miss Waller will be spending the day in school and will be available after the day has ended if you would like to come in and meet her. She will be teaching her new class in the morning and then spending some time with her new department in the afternoon.

Have a great weekend

Mr I. Johnson