

# Anti-Bullying Newsletter

## Academic Year 21-22

### Anti-Bullying at Hill View

**Hello**, welcome back to a brand new and exciting new academic year at Hill View Infant Academy!

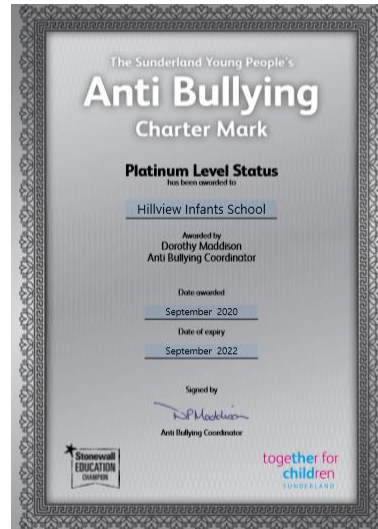
I am Mrs Ridley – the Anti-Bullying lead within school.

We take bullying very seriously at Hill View Infant Academy and go to great lengths to ensure all children are happy and feel safe. Our current anti-bullying policy and our cyber safety agreement is available on the school website <http://www.hillviewinfant.co.uk/>

Here you will also find information about our school's anti bullying crew and the work they are doing with myself in school – the complaints policy for reporting any incidents is also available at this address. The crew and I have also updated a child friendly policy – take a look at this with your child.



In school we talk a lot about 'Bucket filling' – a concept based on the book **Have you filled a bucket today?** By **Carol McCloud**. This helps children to understand the importance of kind behaviour and building self-esteem in both themselves and others. It also discusses the negative impact of unkind actions and words. There is lots of information and various activities online to support this, that you could discuss at home with your child.



### We are so proud

We are delighted to have won the highest accolade for anti-bullying that the region offers – the PLATINUM award. There has been a LOT of work behind the scenes collating evidence and demonstrating how 'hands on' we are to promoting positive behaviour within our school.

Our school shines a spotlight on bullying and encourages all **children, teachers and parents** to take action against bullying throughout the year. We hope to:

- Empower children and young people to celebrate what makes them, and others, unique.
- Help children and young people understand how important it is that every child feels valued and included in school, able to be themselves, without fear of bullying.
- Encourage parents and carers to work with their school and talk to their children about bullying, difference and equality.
- Enable teachers and other children's workforce professionals to celebrate what makes us 'all different, all equal' and celebrate difference and equality.
- Encourage our children to take individual and collective action to prevent bullying and create safe environments where children can be themselves.

Thank you so much for your continued support and we look forward to introducing our new Y1 members this term.

Mrs Ridley - (Anti-Bullying lead)