

Going for gold!

Dear Parents / Carers,

As you are aware, this year we are going for the GOLD anti-bullying charter mark. In school the children will be learning all about being a good friend as well as following the correct procedures if they encounter any incidents of bullying.

We take bullying very seriously at Hill View Infant school and go to great lengths to ensure all children are happy and feel safe.

Our, newly updated anti bullying policy 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 anti-bullying crew are very active within school and hold termly meetings with myself, as well as regularly liaising with Hill View Junior School and sharing ideas.

They are easily recognisable in school due to their badges and on the yard due to their special vests.



Over the past year we have implemented the use of friendship medals in classes, where children nominate their own friends for acts of kindness and compassion. We have found this is promoting a happy and caring classroom environment.

We held a competition at the end of the summer term, for children to design our anti-bullying mascots, the winning designs are currently being made into soft toys and once they are ready, the school will be awarding these mascots to the 'friendliest' classes each week.

Bella the anti-bullying bear and Annabelle the anti-bullying butterfly.



We have a new anti-bullying display located outside Mrs Smith's office – showing all the hard work we do and displaying our policies and helpline numbers and web addresses.

Anti-bullying week commences the 14th November, we will be participating in lots of lovely activities to promote friendship and raise awareness of bullying. The week will end with Friendship Friday on 18th November – a celebration of all the special friendships we have with in school.

Thank you once again for your continued support,

We will keep you updated with our progress towards the GOLD award,

Mrs Kyle (Anti-bullying lead teacher)