



## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK AND ACTS OF KINDNESS

## Friday 20 November

While Drayton Manor takes great pride in its academic achievements we also understand the importance of the social development of our students. We therefore welcome national Anti-Bullying Week as an opportunity to focus on student relationships and the way they interact with each other away from the classroom.

The theme for this year's campaign is 'United Against Bullying' and students have been taking part in activities during tutor time and discussing how we treat each other - either in person or online. Our Year 11 students have been supporting the school's approach by delivering assemblies and sharing tips on how to stay safe online, how to be resilient and how to seek support if anyone feels that they are a victim of bullying. The school is very much aware that sometimes it is hard to ask for help in person and so we hope that our Well-Being boxes will encourage students to post a message asking for support if they need it. Our newly appointed Well-Being Ambassadors have also received training and are on-hand to support anyone in our school community who may prefer to speak to a peer rather than a teacher. They can be identified by the yellow badge that they wear.

National Anti-Bullying Week has also given us the opportunity to relaunch our Acts of Kindness initiative. One thing that we have seen particularly through the pandemic is that kindness still prevails and so this week we have been celebrating the kindness of others. Students, staff, parents and carers have all had the opportunity to nominate someone who has demonstrated any act of kindness. Nominees will be rewarded for their Act of Kindness with a certificate.