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Dear Parent/Carer

**FRIENDSHIP WEEK**

We are pleased to inform you that week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> November will be our 'Friendship' week.

The theme is 'Change Starts With Us.' This links to this year's national Anti-Bullying week which aims to highlight the fact that whether it is verbal, physical, online or in-person, bullying has a significant impact on a child's life well in to adulthood. By making small, simple changes, we can break this cycle and create a safe environment for everyone.

During the week our pupils will be undertaking lessons and activities connected to this theme.

Our Christian Value this term is Peace and the focus for our Bible stories throughout the school is peace themed stories from the Old and New Testament, including The Stilling of the Storm (Matthew 8.23-27). This links to friendship as peace is God's intention for the whole of creation, and through our Collective Worship we will be encouraging the children to solve their differences in a constructive way and to develop skills as a peacemaker.

Our children learn about Christian Values in Collective Worship, Religious Education lessons, circle time but most importantly through the seamless permeation during our daily routines. These values are at the centre of our learning and lives in school. The values link in closely with the 3 Rs that the children know and use so well - respect and take care of ourselves; respect and take care of others and respect and take care of the environment and the world in which we live. We feel that by continuing to focus on these values in more depth we are setting the tone for a positive ethos that helps to not only guide behaviour, but also develop character, spiritual awareness and self-esteem.

Yours sincerely

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PSHE Leader