

Anti-Bullying Week

16-20 November 2020

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Gooseberry Student



The theme of Anti-Bullying week this year is “United Against Bullying.” This encourages us to work together and all do our part to build a better, kinder world. Let’s think about the internet - it can bring people together from all over the world for friendship, gaming and education. It can also, sadly, be used to spread division and unkindness.

What could you do to make your online community a nicer, kinder place?

Activity: Use Google Translate to help you create a poster of different words for kindness from around the world

OR Make a poster about the rules of behaviour that apply to one of the apps or platforms that you like to use – you will need to look at their Community Rules or Terms of Use .

Gooseberry Teacher



You will be aware that bullying is often targeted at those seen as different because of their race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, special educational needs or disability. See this month’s blog for more information about online bullying. See below for recommended Gooseberry Planet scenarios for Anti-Bullying week.

Encourage pupils always to tell a trusted adult if they are being bullied and explain how they can obtain help at school.

Gooseberry Parent



The theme of anti-bullying week this year is “United Against Bullying.” Why not have a conversation with your child about their experience of online behaviour on the platforms they use. Ask if they come across bullying behaviour and what form it takes. If it is directed at them, encourage them not to reply but to show you the evidence and help them to block and report the bully. Bullying can have a serious impact on children’s self-esteem. Talk to them to explore their situation and, if necessary, seek help to improve their wellbeing.

Encourage children to be kind and tolerant online and respectful of those who are different or who hold different opinions from them.

Explore with your child whether they feel there is anything they alone, or together with you, could do to build a kinder online community.



SUPPORT your Anti-Bullying lessons this week with Gooseberry Play and the accompanying parent advice sheets:

Playground Level (ages 5-7) – Scenario 8 Online Bullying

Street Level (ages 8-9) – Scenario 7 Online Bullying

Village Level (ages 9-10) – Scenario 4 Safe Sharing

Town Level (ages 10-11) – Scenario 6 Online Bullying

City Level (ages 11-13) – Scenario 7 Passcodes and Passwords

**If you subscribe to Gooseberry Guru:
Watch out for November's video on Bullying, available soon.**

It has a particular focus on online bullying. It looks at the prevalence of bullying in the UK and the laws related to online bullying. It also explores why children bully, the impact of bullying, how to reduce the incidence of online bullying and how to respond to online bullying.

Parent advice on dealing with Online Bullying can be found in the Guru Parent Handout area.

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