

6th November 2024



Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Love Your Neighbour Week 2024

As part of St Michael's Christian vision, which encourages students to show love, care, and kindness to all in our community, next week, we celebrate our love your neighbour week at school. This is in line with National Interfaith Week and National Antibullying Week. Across the course of the week there will be a range of activities enabling students and staff to celebrate the diversity of faith and no faith at St Michael's, as well as considering how the concept of loving our neighbours could lead to a positive impact of reduction in bullying within school communities. We are encouraging the school values of **Equality** and **Care & Compassion**, through the way students and staff will be reflecting on the beliefs and values that we live by every day and how we treat others who have different beliefs and values to our own.

As part of the week's activities, we will be allowing students to wear an **odd pair of socks** or an **alternative tie** to school on **Tuesday 12th November**. The idea behind this links to the National Antibullying Campaign. It is also a way to celebrate our differences and use this as a physical reminder that we all have different beliefs about life's big questions, and we can appreciate, accept, and include everyone, no matter if their beliefs are different from our own. All students will be able to choose to participate in this day if they so wish.

Yours faithfully

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