The EDIt

WELCOME BACK TO The EDIt

Further to the launch of the Language Awareness Course last week, I wanted to use this week's edition to remind you of the suggested scripting that you could use to support your addressing and challenging any prejudiced language that you hear either in your classroom or around school. You can find the suggested scripting on the next page.

I also wanted to take this opportunity to share with you all some of the fantastic work of our Positive Action groups over the last half term. You can find details of this on page 3. If you would like to join any of our Positive Action groups, please just drop us an email and we would love to have you on board!

See you next week!

Scripts to support

Establish understanding
- 'What did you just say?'
- 'What did you mean by saying….?'
- 'What does that word mean to you?'
- 'Do you understand why it is wrong/hurtful/offensive to use that word?'

Use empathy
- 'That language is really hurtful/offensive to me and others'
- 'It's really disappointing to hear you using language that makes other people feel bad.

Challenge directly
- 'You know that that discriminatory language is absolutely unacceptable'
- 'Why are you saying that word?'
- 'How can a pair of trainers be gay? If you mean rubbish, you should use the word rubbish.'
- 'What you said was racist as well as homophobic. Neither racism nor homophobia are acceptable.'
- 'Homophobic/biphobic/transphobic language is not acceptable in our school.'
- 'Calling people names is unacceptable and we don't do that at our school.'

Half term highlights.....Positive Action Groups

- ✓ Delivered Black History Month assemblies and launched the poetry competition in House assemblies.
- ✓ Hosted a successful donut and lollipop sale, raising £100 for SARAG and BBSTEM charity.
- ✓ Recruited new members from Year 7 and Year 9.

Half term highlights…..Positive Action Groups

✓ Created a shared vision.

✓ Began planning for World Kindness Day and Disability History Month.

✓ Recruited new members from Year 7.

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- ✓ Raised over £70 for our chosen charity Galop with our bake sale
- ✓ Ran two assemblies to raise awareness of coming out day and Pride
- ✓ Delivered a CPD session to staff on tackling HBT language in the classroom
- ✓ Promoted our group at the recent year 7 enrichment fair
- ✓ Plans to discuss bake sale and plans for the LGBTQ+ history month assembly

Half term highlights.....Positive Action Groups

✓ Welcomed the new year 7s to girl's club, with the
   help of our year 11 ambassadors
✓ Spoken about a new date/event for our charity
   fundraiser for Iran
✓ Discussed ideas for a house-based competition or another way to
   raise money for a woman's charity