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## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

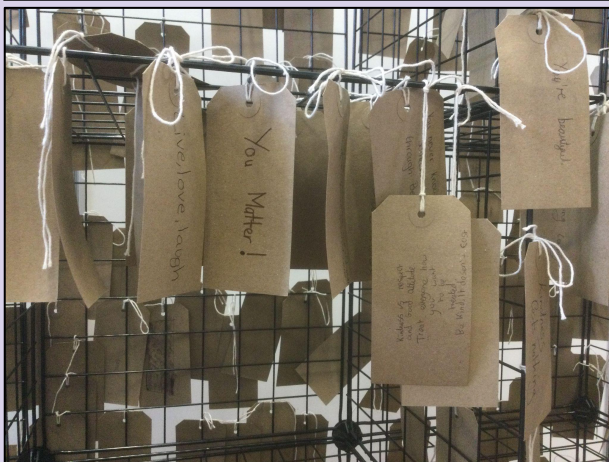
Every week is anti-bullying week, however, this week there has been a national focus on this. In the academy we have raised the profile of this in the following ways:

The National focus this year was on celebrating and accepting diversity. On Monday we encouraged all students and staff to wear odd socks to showcase diversity. We saw a wonderfully wide and varied combination of socks - we were amazed at the thought which had gone into this.

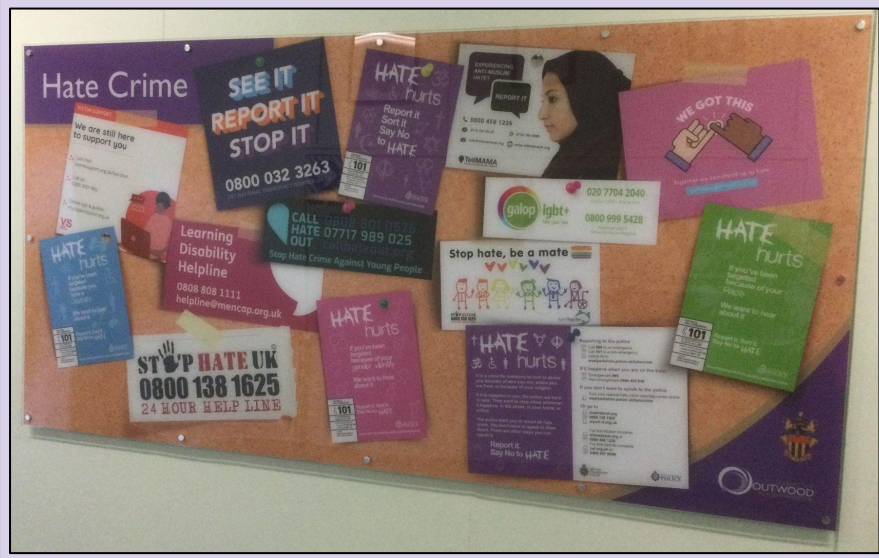
Two students in every year group were nominated by their Learning Manager and received a gift. We hope the two staff winners enjoyed their little treat too.



Mrs Marsh with help from our Student Council have created an amazing sculpture entitled **1000 Kind Words**. Every student and member of staff is in the process of adding a label with a personal kind word or phrase for everyone in our academy. It is absolutely stunning and I recommend to everyone who visits to read the amazing comments.



Hate crimes are sadly on the increase across the UK with over 105,000 hate crimes reported to the police last year alone. At Outwood Academy Freeston, we take a zero tolerance approach to hate crime and we understand the important role education plays. Our new display board we hope is a mechanism for students to be able to seek support outside of the academy as well as within it.



The National event has launched for parents an anti-bullying document, please find this saved [on our website here](#).

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