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### **Safeguarding Information – Bullying**

As you are aware, we are a school that takes the academic achievement and the well-being of our pupils very seriously and to that end we have a range of policies that assist our pupils to learn, grow and prepare for entering the wider world outside the school gates.

Part of our responsibilities to you as the parents/carers of our pupils is to provide a safe place for our young people to learn and as part of our commitment to you we have a clear anti-bullying policy that deals with all types of bullying, including bullying based on faith, gender, disability or sexual orientation.

I am sure that no parent/carer would find it acceptable if their child was bullied at school and no parent/carer would find it acceptable if their child was regarded as a bully either by teachers or other pupils within our school.

All pupils will eventually take their place in the wider world where they will come into contact with a diverse range of people and as part of that wider community they will meet people with different attitudes and beliefs. At our school we hope that pupils will continue to apply the lessons they learn with us once they leave the school.

As part of this preparation for life we are updating our policies to reflect current government legislation, including the Equality Act 2010, to ensure we protect all our pupils from **all types of** discrimination, and this will include **racist**, homophobic and cyber bullying. As our anti-bullying policy explains, we will work to prevent bullying from happening in the first place, as well as tackling it in all its forms when it occurs.

If you have queries regarding this letter please contact the school.

Yours faithfully

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Headteacher