



## Oakfield School

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Dear Parent/Carer

### IMPORTANT MESSAGE RE RACIST LANGUAGE

I am writing to you to ask for your support. We have had an ongoing issue with some of our pupils openly using racist language in the school setting. When we investigate this the students often believe that it is just “banter”. As a school will do our best to educate and challenge. The issue has been noted by external visitors to the school and while they are assured we are doing our best as a school to stop verbal racist language, it continues to be a concern for myself and the Governing Body of the School.

Racist language is unacceptable and is **unlawful** behaviour. If we work together, I hope we can make a difference.

Moving forward the school will

- Continue to challenge any form of stereotype/prejudice/discrimination.
- Continue to educate that all forms of prejudice & discrimination are wrong.
- Suspend, if necessary
- Involve the police if necessary.

Pupils who use racist language will not be allowed to return to school until a meeting has been held with their parent/carer.

This message will be shared with all students in school by staff.

I am confident that we have your ongoing support with this matter.

Your sincerely,



Rachel Davies  
Headteacher



**Headteacher:** Mrs R M Davies BHEd (Hons)

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