



## Oakfield School

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Dear Parent/Carer

### Racist Language

I am writing to you to ask for your support. The school have had an ongoing issue with some of our pupils openly using racist language in the school setting.

When we investigate this, the pupils often believe it is just 'banter'. As a school, we will endeavour to challenge and educate pupils.

External visitors to the school have also noted the issue. While they are assured, we are doing our best as a school to stop verbal racist language, it continues to be a concern for the school's Governing Body and myself.

Racist language is **unacceptable** and is **unlawful** behaviour. If we work together, I hope we can make a positive 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 parents/carers.

The use of racist language in school has been communicated to our pupils and staff.

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

Yours faithfully

Mrs R M Davies  
Headteacher



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

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