



**Anti-Racist Statement
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Herrick is a multi-ethnic Primary School, which aims to fully develop the intellectual, social, creative and spiritual growth of children. We believe that such aims can best be nurtured in a supportive and happy atmosphere in which concern for each other is a keynote. We practice equal opportunities and will not allow any form of racial or religious intolerance.

We value all our children with their families and the historical, culture, and religious diversity that they bring in to school community to share each other's rich heritage and delight in it. We hope that, by pursuing these aims, we shall enable our children to play a full part in our multi-ethnic society.

We want Herrick to be a happy place for all children. This means ensuring that they are never subject to remarks or threats made because of their colour or background.

- We will not allow the following sort of behaviour.
- Attacks on other children for any reason.
- Name calling, insulting remarks, jokes that are based upon another person's colour, religion, culture or background.
- Writing racist remarks or symbols
- Making threats against people because of their colour, religion, culture or background.

All these kinds of behaviour will be treated with extreme seriousness by all who work in our school community. All cases will be logged, referred and appropriate action will be taken.

In some instances this may simply be a discussion as to why this is a wrong way to behave and in other cases we feel that it may be necessary to impose sanctions until this behaviour has stopped.

In school cases, if the behaviour continues, we will call in the parents to discuss a child's behaviour, in order to increase an awareness of the cruelty involved in racist threats.

The victim of racial harassment will be offered support if necessary.

Racist comments by any adults in the school will be referred to the Head and appropriate measures will be taken.

We want children and their parents to know we will not tolerate racist behaviour in our school. Governors will be kept informed of racist incidents and the actions taken to deal with them.

The school community will try to do all that it can to work closely with the organisations and groups that represent people of different religions, languages and cultures.

This statement will be reviewed in 2017