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Alder Tree Primary Undertake Anti-Bullying Training with the Diana Award.

The Diana Award was founded as a legacy to Diana, Princess of Wales' belief that young people have the power to change the world for the better. Its mission is to foster, develop and inspire positive change in the lives of young people.

Recently, twenty pupils from Alder Tree Primary Academy in Potternewton, took part in a one-day anti-bullying training session run by The Diana Award. Young people, aged 8 and 9, worked together and acquired vital skills to enable them to change the attitudes and behaviours of bullying, building their skills and confidence to address different situations, both online and offline.

The Diana Award's free Anti-Bullying Ambassador Programme, which is available to schools across the UK, sees trainers working with students and other young people to change the attitude surrounding bullying. The programme has a strong peer-to-peer focus, with trainers giving young people the skills and confidence to become Anti-Bullying Ambassadors to tackle bullying in their schools long after the training has finished. The Diana Award's anti-bullying work is recognised as world-class thanks to this sustainable approach.

The training looked at bullying in different situations including face-to-face and online. At the end of the day, pupils made an action plan of how to approach bullying issues that may arise in their schools and committed to their roles as Anti-Bullying Ambassadors.

Commenting on the training, Jayden (Year 5) said: "The training provided by The Diana Award was fun and helped to prepare me for my new Anti-Bullying Ambassador role. I enjoyed working collaboratively with another school to see what they thought about how we can help people who may be getting bullied."

Aisha (Year 5) stated that: "It is important to have people in school that children can talk to if they are getting bullied. We have always had teachers to talk to but sometimes children feel more comfortable talking to other children about how they

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are getting treated. I'm excited about being an Anti-Bullying Ambassador because I like to help others."

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Further information:

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Rachel Sharples – Trust Vice Principal, Alder Tree Primary

<https://diana-award.org.uk/anti-bullying/about/>

Notes to Editors:

The Diana Award Anti-Bullying Ambassador programme run by the charity, The Diana Award. The Diana Award was founded as a legacy to Diana, Princess of Wales' belief that young people have the power to change the world for the better. Its mission is to foster, develop and inspire positive change in the lives of young people.

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In December 2020, Alder Tree Primary Academy joined the White Rose Academies Trust and appointed primary education leader Kate Burton in the role of Principal.

The Trust employs over 500 outstanding professionals who are committed to unlocking the potential of the next generation.

The White Rose Academies Trust is a member of Luminate Education Group, the largest education provider in Yorkshire. Other members of the group include Keighley College, Harrogate College, Leeds City College and Leeds Conservatoire.

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