

Dear Parents/Carers

## PSHE Activity Programme

The 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> June is **School Diversity Week** and even though we can't be together as a school community we want to make sure that you don't miss out on all of the activities and opportunities that are available.

School Diversity Week is the national celebration of lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans (LGBT+) equality in education. Organised by the charity [Just Like Us](#), the week empowers pupils, parents and staff across the country to come together to recognise diversity and understanding in schools and take responsibility for tackling homophobic, biphobic and transphobic bullying. The resources and ideas for these activities are taken from the 'home edition' which they have developed for all the school children who are not currently in school.



### Identity Flag

The rainbow flag has been a symbol for LGBT+ people for almost 50 years. LGBT+ people use the flag at Pride parades to proudly show their identity. It has been re-designed by Daniel Quasar to be more inclusive.



### **Create your own identity flag**

What would a flag that shows your identity look like? Try creating one yourself on a sheet of A4 paper. Make sure it uses a range of colours and represents you.

Some things you might want to include:

- Things you like (e.g. food, activities, music)
- Things that are important to you.
- Symbols that represent your heritage or faith.
- Symbols that represent your LGBT+ identity (if you are LGBT+)

Display your flag wherever you want to show you are proud of your identity. Send me a picture and I will keep them safe and along with the E-Team create a display of students work when we return to school.

## School Diversity Week Live Masterclasses

The masterclasses are an opportunity to learn about exciting topics and the experts hosting the short workshops will develop your understanding in a range of subjects from film-making to creating a campaign. There will be an opportunity to ask your **own questions** but these need to be e-mailed prior to the talk (the information is in the link below). Here are some of the masterclass speakers.



*Sabah Choudrey on 'Gender Diversity*



*In conversation with Lady Phyl*



*Emily Lavinia on 'How we tell our stories and stay safe online'*

Each masterclass is followed with an activity so you'll get a chance to try your new skills and knowledge.

The full timetable of masterclasses is available on the link below. All will be **live on Facebook**.

<https://www.justlikeus.org/masterclasses>

## Written Acts Of Kindness

One of our very first newsletters was based on the power of kindness. Here is a task to continue this theme.

- Write letters either to classmates, supportive teachers or to local charities that support LGBT+ rights.
- You could also write to key workers at this time, LGBT+ live artists you love who currently have no work due to Covid-19 or more personally, a friend you know is struggling.

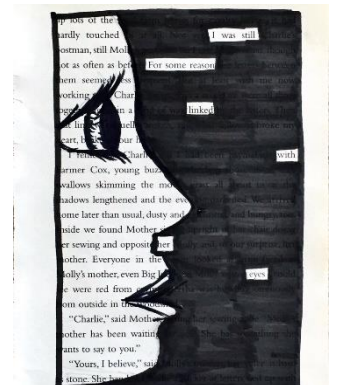
## Black Out Poetry

Create another piece of art based on the idea in the powerpoint below. Click on the link to learn how to create your own piece of poetry.

Remember to send me a copy of your work and save it for when we return to school.

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*Make sure you check if its ok to use a book, magazine or newspaper before getting creative.*



## Want more inspiration?

Just Like Us and Amazon have teamed up to create a [Reading Roadshow](#).

Visit <https://www.justlikeus.org> to see what else you can do to take part in the week.

Here are some photos may inspire you.



## The E-Team

The school have an E-Team and we are always looking for more people to join us to make sure that Oldfield can celebrate diversity and equality across the school. Following on from last weeks newsletter on 'The Bigger Picture' and Black Lives Matter we must all become more involved and responsible for our school community, so that we can work and learn together in a supportive environment where our differences are celebrated.

If you would like more details on how you can become part of the E-Team or if you have an idea then please e-mail me at [s.macnaughton@oldfieldschool.com](mailto:s.macnaughton@oldfieldschool.com) I would love to hear from lots of you!