

World Autism Awareness Week at Sybil Elgar School

Monday 29th March to Thursday 1st April 2021

Every year we join in with the celebrations and raising awareness about what it means to be autistic.

This year this week coincides with our last week of the Spring Term and some other very Special events.

Here is an overview of some of the things we will be doing...

Monday 29th March. Holi.

This spring festival is a firm favourite in the Sybil Elgar Calendar. We all celebrate the coming of Spring; the longer days, the colour the new life.

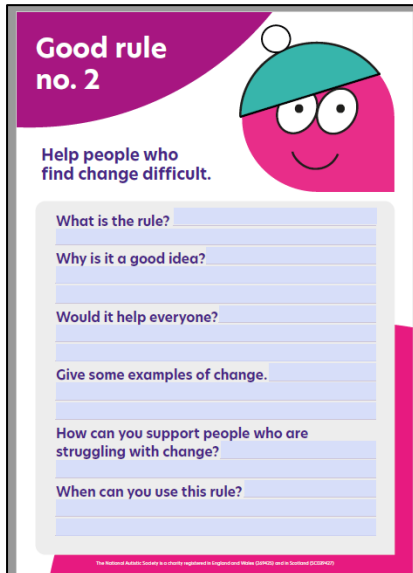
For us it is an explosion of creativity, a celebration of change and an opportunity to burst some of the myths about our wonderful autistic young people.

We encourage everyone to try different foods and have of tasty Indian treats. We create together Rangoli designs and have henna mendhis. Our favourite activity is where we all throw powder paint onto large white sheets, with much of the paint ending up on us!

We do all of this only with the full consent of our young people and their families. Everything is highly structured to give reassurance and predictability.



Tuesday 30th and 31st Wednesday. Project work



Good rule no. 2

Help people who find change difficult.

What is the rule?

Why is it a good idea?

Would it help everyone?

Give some examples of change.

How can you support people who are struggling with change?

When can you use this rule?

We will be working through many of the wonderful resources from the National Autistic Society main website and will create a gallery of our work in our foyers and on our own website. See the links to this on our site.

We will be making and sharing sensory stories all about Easter and all about Spring.

Our student committee will be working together to make a special video about their experiences and super skills 'What makes me so Special'

Thursday 1st April. Easter Celebrations and Last Day of Term.

A fun packed day. We will be spending the morning putting the finishing touches to our Easter Bonnets in time for the afternoon parade. There will be Easter eggs for everyone who can find them on our hunt around the garden! Time too to enjoy our video and work that everyone has been working so hard with.



Please contact your child's teacher if you want to have any resources or ideas to help with projects to do at home