

Anti-Bullying Week 2019

On **Monday 20th May 2019**, 'Big Dave' Gauder led an assembly and workshops raising awareness of the power of the mind to speak out about bullying whilst remembering the importance of respecting each other as people, but also each other's feelings.

Big Dave is a World Champion Strongman with numerous World Records; however, he is also an award-winning anti-bullying campaigner.

Big Dave has pulled aeroplanes and trucks not to mention having dozens of Guinness World Record listings to his name - but his message at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Primary School was that it is inner strength that really counts.

Big Dave shared his own school experiences and delivered the message that pupils must stand up for themselves by showing inner strength.

The children really enjoyed Big Dave's workshops and showed that they know the difference between occasional unkind behaviour, to on-going bullying that could occur if left. They know the importance of involving adults for support as well as having a greater understanding of the number of ways potential bullying can be stopped.

Some also KS2 children enjoyed talking to Big Dave over lunch.

Big Dave was very well received by the children and taught them all valuable lessons which they intend to take on throughout the years to come.

