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Well Being Matters

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Good morning and welcome to the tenth week of the newsletter.

If we all were in school at the minute we would have done some work and discussed the current affairs, in particular the news of black lives matter.

As a school we always pride ourselves on being fully inclusive and value every member of our school community regardless of gender, ethnicity, religion or sexual orientation.

We have tried to answer a few questions that some of you have had, and you may also wish to explore some of these links:

[Newsround](#) [Common-Song](#) [Spoken Poem](#)

Stay Safe! Mrs Meredith:-)

Why are people 'taking a knee'?

This started in 2016 by an American Footballer Colin Kaepernick who knelt instead of standing during the National Anthem as a protest against what he considered to be over aggressive police action. It was quite controversial when it he did it, as some said he was being disrespectful to his country.

The action of 'taking a knee' has been taken by the BLM movement as a way of showing peaceful protest against the perceived differences in the way that black people are treated.

Your worries:

Remember you can contact us on this email if you need any support with your well being: wellbeing@themanor.notts.sch.uk

Why do some people say black lives matter but then other people say all lives matter?

Obviously, we believe that every life is just as worthwhile and important as each others, but historically this has not always been the case. Throughout history racism has existed, and whilst massive steps have been taken to see all people as equal, sadly, there are a minority of people who think racism is still acceptable, or think that white people are more superior than black.

After George Floyd died whilst being detained by the police in America, many people started to protest as they felt that the way that black people are treated by the police in the USA is a big problem. Many people are also unhappy as statistically more black people are likely to live in poverty compared to white people, suggesting that there are inequalities in the country. This led to other countries around the world holding their own protests, including the UK, where racism still continues to be a problem for some people.

Even though all people are just as important as each other, it is imperative that all people, regardless of colour have the same opportunities in life as each other.