

# HOW TO RUN THE BIG ANTI-BULLYING ASSEMBLY: AN EDUCATOR'S GUIDE

So much has changed for schools and young people because of COVID-19.

As students all over the UK return to schools and lessons, join us as we come together, welcome one another back and remind everyone of the need for mutual respect in our schools and communities.

Together, we will pledge to put an end to bullying, celebrate diversity and create communities of kindness.

It's going to be **Big!**

## KEY DETAILS

**When: Monday 4th October**

**What:** Your young people will hear from a host of celebrities on why anti-bullying is so important, as well as practical tips to take away and immediately implement in your school in order to make it a kinder place built on mutual respect where difference is celebrated and bullying behaviour is stamped out. Our celebrity friends and special guests will cover a variety of topics, including the importance of being an 'Upstander' against bullying behaviour – someone who doesn't just stand by when they see something that isn't right.

**How to take part:** As long as you've signed up via our website you will receive an email a few days before the 4th October with a link to preview the assembly ahead of sharing it with your students on the 4th. The video will continue to be available on our YouTube channel so your classes can watch and get involved at a time that's convenient for you.

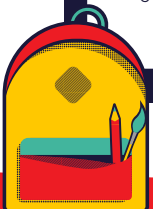
**Who is this for:** The Big Anti-Bullying Assembly is suitable for all Primary School students

## TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

All you need is access to the internet, a screen large enough for all pupils to view comfortably and the link (which we will send a few days in advance). That's it! You may like to test your video and sound system in advance to ensure smooth viewing. The video will be a YouTube link so it may be worth checking with IT to make sure YouTube isn't blocked or behind a firewall at your school.

## HOW TO INTRODUCE THE ASSEMBLY

The last 18 months have been a difficult time for us all and it's important that young people feel supported next term. If you would like to introduce The Big Anti-Bullying Assembly to young people before tuning in via the link, you could speak about how it's ok to have mixed feelings about being back in school. Some young people may be excited to see their friends again and some may be worried or anxious about what the new school year will bring. But by coming together, welcoming one another back and reminding everyone of the need for mutual respect in our schools and communities, your young people will make a flying start.



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You may also like to speak to your young people about The Diana Award, the only charity set up in memory of Diana, Princess of Wales, and her belief that young people have the power to change the world. Ask your young people if they agree that 'young people can change the world' and how they want to create positive change in school. It could be by being a friend to someone who looks lonely or by helping their teacher tidy up at the end of the lesson. There are lots of ways that young people can create a positive school culture. Princess Diana believed that young people had enormous potential to do good – how do your young people plan to create positive change this year?

Don't forget to also check out our anti-bullying activities you can run with your young people before or after The Big Anti-Bullying Assembly, including Pledge Cards and how to find their Support Network. There are also loads more activities on The Diana Award's Resource Centre [antibullyingpro.com/resources](https://antibullyingpro.com/resources)

These are a great way to continue to explore anti-bullying with your young people and how they can make the school a kinder, more inclusive place for their peers.

## HOW TO PREPARE

The Big Anti-Bullying Assembly can be viewed to suit your school's needs. All you need to prepare in advance is to get your young people excited to hear from our celebrity hosts about all things anti-bullying!

Don't forget to also let us know you're taking part by tagging us on social media [@AntiBullyingPro](https://www.instagram.com/antiBullyingPro) and [#AntiBullyingAssembly](https://twitter.com/antiBullyingPro). We love to see all your photos/videos of students taking part!

You will receive the link ahead of The Big Anti-Bullying Assembly on Monday 4th October.

## JOIN IN ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Use the hashtag [#AntiBullyingAssembly](https://twitter.com/antiBullyingPro) to tell us about your plans for The Big Anti-Bullying Assembly! Don't forget to tag us - [@AntiBullyingPro](https://www.instagram.com/antiBullyingPro) – on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. We'll be reposting during the event so look forward to seeing your posts!

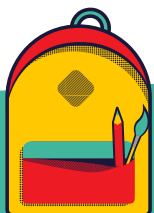
## WHAT'S NEXT?

Your school's anti-bullying journey doesn't end after watching The Big Anti-Bullying Assembly!

Thanks to Nationwide Building Society, The Diana Award is offering FREE Anti-Bullying Training to Primary Schools across the UK, training 10,000 young people to become Anti-Bullying Ambassadors over three years. By signing up to take part in The Big Anti-Bullying Assembly, you will automatically receive updates from The Diana Award on how to sign up to our free training. We look forward to seeing you and your young people at a training day soon!

Can't wait? Check out The Diana Award Resource Centre for loads of anti-bullying resources to run with your young people! [antibullyingpro.com/resources](https://antibullyingpro.com/resources)

You can also check out our [Youtube](https://www.youtube.com/user/antibullyingpro) [www.youtube.com/user/antibullyingpro](https://www.youtube.com/user/antibullyingpro) for videos about what to expect from an Anti-Bullying Ambassador training day.



We're proud to be the only charity set up in memory of Diana, Princess of Wales and her belief that young people have the power to change the world. It's a big mission but there are two things within it that we focus our charity's efforts on – young people and change.

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Throughout all of our programmes and initiatives 'change' for and by young people is central, including our anti-bullying work which encourages change in attitudes and behaviours for young people by young people.

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We hope you found this resource useful and wish you all the best in your anti-bullying journey. If you would like to help us create more resources and train even more Anti-Bullying Ambassadors you can make a £5 donation by texting CHANGE 5 to 70470 or visit [diana-award.org.uk/donate](http://diana-award.org.uk/donate)

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