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Hopatcong, NJ –Hopatcong School District   **Title: Week of Respect**

The Hopatcong Schools united with schools across Sussex County again this year to celebrate the Week of Respect. Throughout the week a variety of programs were arranged to encourage positive behaviors and to support anti-bullying. On Monday, October 5th also known as World Anti-Bullying Day, all schools in the district supported this cause by wearing blue. On Tuesday; Random Acts of Kindness Day, the guidance department at the high school had inspirational/motivational quotes posted to every student's locker as they arrived for the day.it was a well-received event; students greatly appreciated the thoughtful messages. Students also had the opportunity to contribute to the wall of thanks -a bulletin board containing thank you notes to students and staff members. In the elementary schools students had the opportunity to write down the Random Acts of Kindness they saw throughout the day. The elementary schools on Wednesday showed their support by wearing neon colors to highlight the students who take a stand against bullying. In the high school students signed a pledge to be respectful towards others – to "be an upstander not a bystander and to "say no to cyber bullying." Thursday is Go-Green Day where students will be encouraged to respect the environment and assist with the pop-tab collection for the Ronald McDonald House Charities which will be an ongoing collection throughout the school year. To conclude Week of Respect all the district will wear Hopatcong gear to show pride in our community! We are already gearing up for special events being held for the upcoming Violence Prevention Week and Red Ribbon Week later this month. Check out our social media feeds for additional photos.