

AMBASSADORS

ANTI-BULLYING

A PART OF THE DIANA AWARD

Three Quick Activities to Help Your New Students Make Friends and Start the Term Feeling Positive



1) Friend Fact Pairs

You will need: Three small blank pieces of card for each student, a table, and pens

Get your class up on their feet. Give students three blank cards and a pen each. They have one minute to find one fact from three of their new classmates and write it down on their piece of card. Each classmate has to give each person who asks them a new fact. When the minute is up ask your class to put their three fact cards on a table face down. Turn over one card each and ask the class who collected that fact and who it belongs to. Hopefully this activity will get them interacting, learning about each other and talking about their interests.

2) Artistic Team Work

You will need: a large table, blindfolds for half the class, pencils and paper for half the class, a prize

Put your students into pairs and sit them round a table so they can all see the centre of the table. Put a blindfold on one person in each of the pairs and give them a pencil and piece of paper. Once all of the blindfolds are on, put a large object in the middle of the table. The person in the pair without the blindfold has to give instructions to the blindfolded person on how to draw the object in the middle of the table. They are not allowed to tell them what the object is or move their pen. They can use instructions like 'move your pen right, move your pen towards me, draw a line downwards'. The pair have three minutes to draw the object. Give a prize to the pair whose picture best resembles the object.

3) Web of Trust

You will need: a large space, a very long ball of wool

Stand your class in a circle. Ask the first person in the circle to wrap the wool around their finger three times so it doesn't come undone. The first person then passes the ball of wool to anyone else in the circle. As each person passes the wool to the next person they give them a compliment. Repeat this until everyone in the circle has their finger in the wool 'web of trust'. Now for the really fun part! Try and untangle your web of trust. As each student untiest the piece of wool from round their finger they have to say one fact about themselves and how they will work to prevent bullying in the year ahead and gain their class's trust.