

Norfolk County Council in partnership with a range of agencies announces a multi-agency conference linking the Year of Communication with this year's National Anti- Bullying Week (14 - 18 November 2011) theme on verbal bullying

**Sticks and stones may break my bones,
But WORDS can really hurt me...**

Friday 18 November 2011

Venue: John Innes Centre, Norwich 9.00 am – 4. 00 pm

The conference is FREE*to all professionals who work in Norfolk with children and young people. It looks at:

- **the importance of early language development to support children's life chances**
- **verbal bullying, its effects and what we can do to address**
- **supportive tools for those bullied with limited language skills and**
- **approaches to resolve bullying conflicts between young people, adults and their families.**

Keynote speakers are Alison Marr, Communication Trust and Adrienne Katz, Bullying Intervention Group

Workshop topics include:

- **Restorative approaches**
- **Addressing diversity**
- **ZAP Kidscape assertiveness skills for bullied children**
- **The tools to support those with limited communication skills**
- **Supporting children who stammer and are bullied**
- **How young people communicate using technology (Beat Bullying)**
- **Supporting young people with ASD who bully and are bullied**
- **Resolving parental complaints**

To book your place and receive details of workshop choices please contact Michele Blazey – Michele.blazey@norfolk.gov.uk Enquiries should be directed to Rita Adair – rita.adair@norfolk.gov.uk 01603 307567 and Ruth Smallwood – ruth.smallwood@norfolk.gov.uk

*Professionals who book but do not attend on the day will be charged £50