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**STUDENTS HELP RAISE AWARENESS OF BULLYING**

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2008

**Students at Cambridge Regional College are helping to raise awareness of bullying, through a competition that is being run at the College this week, to coincide with national 'Anti-Bullying Week'.**

The College is running a 'Stamp Out Bullying' competition that is open to all students, encouraging them to write a poem or a song that reflects their personal experiences and feelings about bullying. The theme of the competition is "Difference and Diversity".

The competition runs all this week and in order to raise awareness and entries will be displayed in the Mall at the College's Science Park campus until 30<sup>th</sup> November. They will then be incorporated into a special booklet that will be distributed throughout the College. The winning entries will receive £85 worth of gift vouchers.

The activities this week have been organised by the College's Youth Worker Chris Hickey. He said, "We have a good response to the competition each year and are impressed that students are willing to share their own personal experiences in order to help others". The College takes the issue of bullying very seriously and hopes to raise awareness amongst students of the support available, both inside the College and from external agencies.

This is the fourth year that the College has run activities to coincide with anti-bullying week. There are displays throughout the College that showcase the issues surrounding bullying, and give information about where to get help if you find yourself affected by bullying.

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