

Pigtails 4 Peace

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“It’s hard to be strong when you’re feeling so alone, and it’s hard to hold on when all you hear is ‘let it go’ ...we could all save each other if we just stand together”- Stand Together by Hayley Reardon

One Wednesday night, I found myself staring at the most unfortunate post on the sophomore girls’ Facebook group. A good friend of mine had just posted that she had been bullied earlier that day for wearing pigtails. She expressed how hurt she was from this, and asked her classmates to stand up against bullying by wearing pigtails to school the next day. Of course I would! Why not wear pigtails to school and promote anti-bullying? Apparently, a lot of people felt the same way, because when I got to school the next day, you wouldn’t believe how many people were wearing pigtails. That Thursday night, a Facebook group called Pigtails 4 Peace was created, and more than 500 people became fans in less than 24 hours.

As of today, Pigtails 4 Peace has been featured on the local news and has many people wearing pigtails in support of anti-bullying. In the initial Facebook post from the victim, it was so great to see she had expressed her feelings and asked people to help her stand up to bullying, rather than keeping quiet. Hopefully, this will have a positive effect on bullying victims all over the area, and help them deal with bullies in an effective way.

If you would like to know more, you can go onto Facebook or Marblehead Patch and look up Pigtails 4 Peace. Also, if you would like to support anti-bullying, you can always wear pigtails. I would like to thank all of the pigtail wearers and all of the anti-bullying allies for standing together, wearing pigtails, and supporting anti-bullying. Without them, there would be no Pigtails 4 Peace. Great job, MHS!