



# PARKSIDE

## Community Primary School

### **Anti-Bullying Week 2020**

At Parkside Community Primary School we take bullying seriously. Pupils and parents should be assured that they will be supported when bullying is reported to a member of staff.

### **What is bullying?**

Bullying is 'Behaviour by an individual or a group, usually repeated over time that intentionally hurts another individual either physically or emotionally'.

Bullying can include: name calling, taunting, mocking, making offensive comments; kicking; hitting; taking belongings; inappropriate text messaging and electronic messaging (including through web-sites, Social Networking sites and Instant Messenger); sending offensive or degrading images by phone or via the internet; producing offensive graffiti; gossiping; excluding people from groups and spreading hurtful and untruthful rumours.

Not all unpleasantness between pupils is bullying: some can be regarded as random acts of unkindness such as refusing to talk to a person.

### **How do we educate the children about bullying?**

Each year, we as a school take part in Anti-Bullying Week (held in the month of November). *Anti-Bullying Week shines a spotlight on bullying and encourages all children, teachers and parents to take action against bullying. Over the course of Anti-Bullying Week, we hold a number of class assemblies and each class completes a number of activities designed at educating the children about what bullying is and how to deal with its different forms effectively.*

# Ways of reporting bullying:

## Pupils

If pupils witness bullying or feel they are being bullied they can tell any member of staff who must pass the information on to the victim's and alleged bully's class teachers.

Pupils must be aware that for incidents to be dealt with they must not report anonymously.

## What should staff do?

If a member of staff witnesses bullying they must report this to the class teacher of the children involved or the Head of School.

## What should parents/ members of the public do?

Parents can report bullying by:

- Speaking to their child's class teacher
- Phoning the school: 01227 464956
- E-mailing the school office: [office.manager@parkside.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office.manager@parkside.kent.sch.uk)

## Useful Anti-bullying website links:

- KCC website <http://www.kent.gov.uk/> - on the home page and type in 'bullying.' This will bring up a long list of useful web links.
- Orange have a 10 minute video about cyberbullying - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MGHNSWTBVz4>
- <http://www.childnet.com/resources/know-it-all-for-parents>

Childnet International has a CD-ROM guide on internet safety for parents titled 'know it all'. This is also available in other languages.

- [www.kent.police.uk/internetsafety](http://www.kent.police.uk/internetsafety)
- [www.e-safety.org.uk](http://www.e-safety.org.uk)
- [www.antibullyingalliance.org.uk](http://www.antibullyingalliance.org.uk) - this is a useful link for information around all aspects of bullying
- [www.teachernet.gov.uk/wholeschool/behaviour/tacklingbullying/safetolearn/](http://www.teachernet.gov.uk/wholeschool/behaviour/tacklingbullying/safetolearn/)