

Rush Green Primary School

Anti-Bullying Policy

This policy was written **BY** children **FOR** children to protect **ALL** children at **OUR SCHOOL**.

March 2017



Stand Up! Speak Up!
Stamp Out Bullying For Good!

What is bullying?

Bullying can be physical. When someone hits you, kicks you or pushes you because they are stronger or bigger than you.

Bullying can be verbal. When someone calls you names, spreads rumours about you or when someone threatens you.

Bullying can be by text, by email, by messaging, for instance on Facebook or Snapchat.

Bullying can be related to physical appearance, race, religion, ethnicity or sexual orientation.

Sometimes people fall out with each other and say horrible things to each other, or people have arguments. Sometimes people may do things by accident. These things would not be bullying.

Bullying is when something is deliberate (done on purpose) and it happens all the time!

Why do people bully?

- To hide they are unhappy or are being bullied themselves.
- To try to get people to like them.
- To make them feel good and to frighten people.
- They don't know any better.

How does bullying make people feel?

- Sad and miserable. ☹️ Alone and unhappy.
- Worried and upset.
- Frightened to come to school.

What our children said they should do to stop bullying

- First tell a member of staff (as quickly as possible) if you see bullying or you are being bullied.
- Tell your family.
- An adult you trust
- Tell a friend.
- Avoid the bully.
- If the bullying is online, take a screenshot, save or print the messages you have been receiving and show them to an adult you trust.

What parents should do if they think their child is being bullied

- Check first with school before jumping to conclusions
- Write down the incidents with dates and times (playtime/ lunchtime etc) and speak to the class teacher/head of year
- Let the school deal with it and **DO NOT GET INVOLVED**

What our children wanted OUR School to do is to:

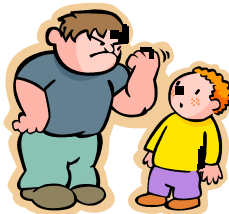
- Listen;
- Be strict;
- Tell the bully's parents;
- Help the bully change their ways;
- Stop them from bullying;
- Don't let them come to our school if they keep doing it.

What the School will do:

- Investigate fully and fairly
- If necessary and when bullying has been identified by the school, staff from school will speak to the bully's parents and the bully will be punished in line with the School

Behaviour Policy

- Where serious and continued bullying occurs the School may decide to exclude the bully
- Anti bullying will be discussed as a part of the School's curriculum
- Counselling may be made available if appropriate



DON'T BE A BULLY - BE A BUDDY!

The Rush Green Primary School Anti-Bullying Charter

Bullying is not tolerated at our school.

This is how our school deals with bullies...

If **you** are being bullied, or if **you know someone** else who is **being bullied**, you must:

- Tell a teacher, dinner lady or teaching assistant
- Tell your parents
- Tell your friends
- Avoid the bully
- If the bullying is online, take a screenshot, save or print the messages you have been receiving and show them to an adult you trust.

The school will:

- Listen;
- Be strict;
- Talk to the bully's parents;
- Talk to the bully/bullies and help them change their ways;
- If things do not stop then the bully could be stopped from coming to school.

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Our school is committed to listening to and acting upon the voice of our parents and our children.

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Agreed by the School Council 29.03.17

Governing Body Approval _____ Date _____