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Peer on Peer Abuse

Staff and Governors should not underestimate the potential for one child or young person to abuse another.

There are many different forms peer on peer abuse can take, which may involve all the above 4 categories.

Abuse may involve person to person contact, however abuse involving the use of technology such as online bullying, social media abuse and "sexting" is on the increase and should be positively dealt with.

Any incidents of 'Peer on Peer' abuse which are of a sexualised nature, including Sexting, should be reported to a member of the Safeguarding team.

There should be an understanding of the different gender issues that can be prevalent when dealing with peer on peer abuse.

Staff are reminded that peer on peer abuse is abuse and should never be tolerated or passed off as "banter" or "part of growing up"



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Up-Skirting

Upskirting' law came into force in 12th April 2019 and offenders face up to 2 years in jail, with most serious put on sex offenders register.

Upskirting is a term used to describe the act of taking a sexually intrusive photograph up someone's skirt without their permission. It is usually performed in a public place.

Any incidents of upskirting must be reported to the Safeguarding team who would liaise with the police.