## Useful contacts:

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London SW1 0DH 020 7730 3300 www.kidscape.org.uk

Anti-Bullying

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# Chapelford Village Primary School Bullying

Advice for Pupils



# Chapelford Village Bully Busters

### What is bullying?

These are some of the ways children have described bullying:

- being teased or called names
- being hit, pushed or kicked
- having money or other things taken from them
- being ignored or left out
- being picked on because of their religion or colour or where they come from

## If you are being bullied:

- You shouldn't feel ashamed about being bullied. It's not your fault - but it is important that you get help. No one deserves to be bullied.
- Who can you talk to about what is going on? Do you have a friend or someone in your family you trust? Talk to them about what is happening and how it makes you feel. They might be able to help you work out what you want to do next.
- Our school has a policy on bullying. If you tell a teacher what's happening, they can let you know how the school can help.
- Sometimes children tell someone that they are being bullied and it does no good nothing changes. If this happens to you, don't give up! Is there someone else you can talk to?
- Write down what has been happening and when and where it has happened. If it helps, draw a picture or write a song or poem about what is happening and how it makes you feel.
- ❖ It is important to feel sae. Can you protect yourselves from the bullies? Would it help to walk home with friends instead of on your own, or to ask someone to stay with you?

Remember, you don't have to put up with being bullied.

#### If you see someone being bullied:

- Can you be a friend to the person who is being bullied? Let them know that you have seen what is going on and are worried about them.
- Ask if they feel they can talk to someone. They may want you to help them talk about it with a teacher or another adult.
- If they won't talk to anyone and you are worried about them, can you think of someone you can talk to?
- Even when there is a lot of bullying at school, sometimes teachers don't know about it. If they are going to be able to do anything about it, teachers need to be told what is going on.
- Could the Pupil Council help?

#### If you are bullying someone:

- Even if you think bullying is just a laugh, children who are bullied feel scared and upset. You can stop people feeling like that if you stop bullying them.
- Sometimes people who bully feel unhappy about something in their own lives. Maybe they are angry about something and take their anger out on other people by trying to be tough. If you are upset or angry out something, talk about is instead of taking out on someone else.
- Bullying can become a habit that's hard to break. Even if it seems hard to stop, you can change what you are doing. Talk to someone about how you feel.
- If you keep on bullying you could get into a lot of trouble.

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