

**We believe bullying is persistent and spiteful behaviour by one child (or a group of children) against another.**

*Bullying is not*

- Falling out with your friends
- Having an argument where you call each other names
- Pushing each other
- Making faces at each other
- Just being unkind to each other

**We repeat bullying is when one child or a group of children hurt another child (physically or verbally) over a period of time.**

All the school are clear that bullying is something we work to change. No school likes to hear of bullying and we all work hard to make sure everyone understands it will not be tolerated.

## Parents

*You can help with this too.*

- Make sure that everyone understands what bullying is and use the word correctly

***Remember it means persistent and spiteful not just a fall out.***

- Check what has happened, what your child tells you may not be the whole story.
- Be ready to support school if they need time to investigate.
- Try to remember being a child yourself and how you sometimes tried to be selective about what you told your parents.
- Appreciate children need to build up some resilience to small incidents
- Tell your child they can turn their back and walk away.
- Tell your child they can walk towards an adult.

**They should be trying all of these before anything else happens**

## Together

We can help children grow into independent young people and adults who know what bullying is and how to deal with it.

They will also be strong enough to know that having a falling out with friends happens from time to time.

You will have helped them learn how to manage this and how to become friends again.

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