"Bullying is not the thoughtless word said in anger or the flaring of children's tempers. It is <u>deliverate</u> and <u>repeated</u> behaviour <u>intended</u> to <u>hurt</u> others"

In order to prevent bullying and promote positive behaviour we use 3 strategies:

- 1. Teaching children about positive behaviour.
- Values in Education Involving pupils in the school community and acknowledging their achievements.
- 3. Anti Bullying Advice Teaching children how to avoid being bullied/how to help others who are bullied/what to



Teaching Children Positive Behaviour

At Bankhead we actively teach every child about positive behaviour and forming positive relationships - this is called P.S.E. Personal Social Education

We use a programme of lessons from P1 - P7

These lessons aim to to teach your child about:

- rights and responsibilities
- cause and effect
- valueing self and others
- self awareness and self confidence •
- safety being safe and staying safe



Values in Education

Pupils learn to value themselves, others, their school, community and environment by:

- Class Buddies (P7 helpers for each class)
- Playground Monitors
- Playground play boxes
- Playground rules agreed by pupils
- Playground improvements(planting/painting etc)
- School Merit Certificates
- Golden Book
- Wall of Achievement
- Uniform and Attendance achievement
- Class rules decided by pupils
- School rules decided by pupils
- School Council
- Class points systems
- Involvement in fund raising events
- After school clubs/activities

Anti Bullying Advice

Advide we can give to children to help them avoid being bullied

- Try to make lots of positive friendships
- Don't get involved in name calling or any bullying behaviour - be a good friend.
- Be confident in the way you talk and look
- Try to have interests; things you enjoy and are good at (boosts self esteem!)
- Be assertive Notaggressive.

How pupils can help a friend or classmate who is being bullied

- Stay close to them
- Help them to be confident
- Try to show the bully you don't care
- Laugh it off
- If its a problem TELL!
- Don't get involved in bullying behaviour

What to do if you are bullied

- Try to help yourself be assertive.
- Tell the bully clearly not to do it.
- Make a joke of it
- Stay with a friend who can support you
- Tell an adult.

What Parents Can Do

- 1. Always be ready to listen
- 2. Help your child to be confident and have positive friendships.
- 3. Encourage your child to focus on things they are good at to boost their self esteem.
- 4. Teach them to be Assertive NOT Aggressive.
- 5. Childrens confidence and maturity develop when they can take responsibility for their own behaviour and safety. Try to teach them strategies to do this.
- 6. If the bullying is a problem please contact us, we can and will help.

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<u>A Parents Guide to</u> <u>Anti Bullying</u>



Friends Against Bullying

Bullying is:

Repeated behaviour <u>Intented</u> to <u>Hurt</u> It can be physical (hitting) or verbal (name calling) or emotional (teasing/isolating).