

The Defender...

They don't stand by and watch when they see bullying. They follow the **STOP** code.

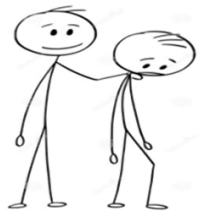
See bullies

Tell someone

Offer kindness

Protect each other

Defenders know that they can tell any adult in school what they have seen be confident that they will act. Defenders try their best to support someone being bullied by being their friend and helping to take some of the power away from the group.



We aim for every child at St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School to have the confidence to be a **defender**.

If you require any additional information, or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or contact the school office if you wish to speak to the Headteacher.

For general information please visit:

www.antibullyingalliance.org.uk
www.bullyinginterventiongroup.org

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Live fully. Act justly

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School
United Against Bullying



At St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, we firmly believe that children have the right to learn in an environment which is free from fear and intimidation. **As a school, we are completely opposed to bullying and it will not be tolerated.**

Our pupils and staff stand united against bullying and work together to ensure that children are safe, happy and given the opportunity to thrive.

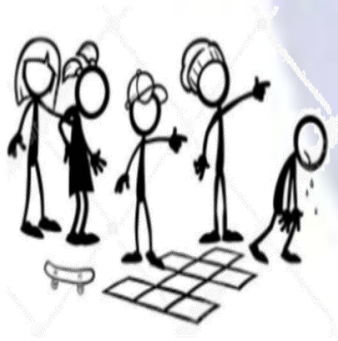
We approach bullying in our school, and deal with it, as a GROUP behaviour.

All the children have been learning about the different roles involved in bullying.

We have created this leaflet to explain exactly what bullying is and what the different roles are.

What is bullying?

Bullying is when someone, or a group, repeatedly intends to cause harm, either physically or emotionally, to another person or group. Bullying can happen face-to-face or online.



Bullying is a repeated behaviour and it is almost always a group behaviour.

The children and staff at St. Joseph's have worked together to explore the roles and relationships involved, in order to truly understand the causes of bullying.

The Ringleader

Their behaviour is hurtful to other people, either physically or emotionally. They are powerful in comparison to the target and their behaviour is encouraged and reinforced by other in the group.

The Target

They feel worried/ threatened/ sad because of the way they are being treated by the group.



The Reinforcer

They support the ringleader by encouraging them to continue with the bullying behaviour and their presence ensures the power balance remains with the group.

The Assistant

They are not usually involved directly with the bullying, but they offer support to the ringleader, perhaps by laughing or offering encouragement.

The Outsider

They often see the bullying behaviour and even though they know it is wrong, they decide to ignore the behaviour or walk away. They don't want to become involved in case the bullying becomes directed towards them.

However, there is one more role in a bullying situation...