



THE MARTON ACADEMY

KINDNESS, TOLERANCE, RESPECT

## PUPIL WRITTEN ANTI-BULLYING POLICY

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## **The Marton Academy statement on bullying**

This school is a place where everyone has the right to be themselves.  
It's a place where everyone can feel safe, be happy and learn.  
Everyone at our school acts with respect and kindness towards each other.  
Our school takes bullying very seriously.



### **Why does bullying happen?**

Although we want a school where bullying does not exist, we know that if it does happen then it must be dealt with.

Pupils who bully others can be older, younger, bigger or smaller than you. Pupils who bully, pick on people who may be different in some way and try to make them feel worse about themselves. If you are being bullied by someone, remember that it is never your fault.

### **What is bullying?**

- Hurting someone physically on purpose repeatedly
- Hurting someone verbally on purpose repeatedly
- Hurting someone emotionally on purpose repeatedly

*These things are bullying if you mean to do it and do it repeatedly:*

- Calling people unkind names
- Hurting people's feelings on purpose
- Pointing out differences that you know will upset someone
- Touching people when they don't want to be touched
- Sending unkind messages on text or a messaging app
- Threatening someone
- Damaging people's belongings
- Making fun of someone and trying to get others to join in
- Purposefully leaving people out

## **What should I do if I think someone is being bullied?**

In our school, we all take responsibility in keeping each other safe.

It is never okay to see someone being bullied and do nothing. You can tell people to stop if you feel brave enough, and you should always tell an adult about what has happened.

If you think someone is being bullied then talk to the person, ask if they're okay and ask if you can help them and talk to a teacher or an adult they trust.



### **Trusted adults:**

All staff who work in our school, your parents and family members, people who run clubs you go to outside of school.

## **What should I do if I'm being bullied?**

If you are bullied, it is important to tell someone you trust. Tell a trusted adult. If you have already told an adult about bullying, you can still tell them again.

You can:

1. Tell a teacher – your class teacher or any other teacher
2. Tell any other adult staff in school like teaching assistants, people that work in the school office, people who work at breakfast/after-school club
3. Tell an adult at home – a parent, grandparent, adult brother or sister, uncle or auntie
4. You can also write a note about the bullying and put it in in your class worry box
5. You can also phone ChildLine at any time for free on 0800 1111. They will not tell anyone about what you have said.
6. If you are experiencing cyber-bullying then this must be reported to your parents, school and the police. If someone online is asking you personal questions, wants your details or for you to keep secrets or meet up – you should always tell a trusted adult!

If you tell an adult who works at our school, they will be able to help you. They will tell the principal and your parents so that they can help you. Telling an adult will never make bullying worse. They will talk to you as well as the people doing the bullying to find ways to stop the bullying and keep you safe.