

At Forbes Primary School

we believe that:

We should respect ourselves and the rights of others

We all have a right to feel safe and to be treated with respect

We must learn, practise and understand the Grievance Procedures

All children have a right to learn and play in a school that is free from harassment

HARASSMENT IS WRONG

Harassment is when someone, or a group, repeatedly does things or says things that make you feel:

- afraid
- upset
- angry
- unsafe
- embarrassed
- uncomfortable

Harassment is:

- not wanted
- not asked for
- not welcome

Some kinds of harassment are:

- teasing and name calling
- bullying
- rude signs
- offensive pictures, drawings or language
- offensive writing, notes or messages
- inappropriate touching
- putting people down because of their:- gender, family background, personal life, appearance, religion, disability, or race.

A HAPPY SCHOOL IS HARASSMENT FREE

You can be kind and thoughtful and respect others by:

- greeting people with a smile
- saying thoughtful things to others
- including people in games and activities
- being aware of how your behaviour affects others
- changing your behaviour when it is upsetting someone
- getting to know new people and making them feel welcome

If you are being harassed:

1. IGNORE IT - do nothing and walk away

If it doesn't stop:

2. CONFRONT THE PERSON WHO IS HARASSING YOU:

- stand up for yourself
- tell them you don't like whatever it is they are doing and that you want it to STOP
- tell them they are breaking the school rules
- take a friend with you

If it doesn't stop:

3. SEEK HELP

- go to any teacher and tell them what is happening
- go to a parent for help
- tell them everything
- remind them that a school rule is being broken
- decide with them what you will do and see if it works

If it doesn't stop:

- go to the Principal or Deputy Principal
- talk about the problem
- remind them that a school rule is being broken
- the principal will decide what action to take.

HARASSMENT IS SERIOUS

At this school the staff will:

- Listen when you tell
- Let you know that telling is a sensible thing to do
- Work out the best way to handle the situation

IF HARASSMENT
KEEPS ON HAPPENING

- KEEP ON REPORTING -

DON'T GIVE UP

- KEEP ON TELLING -



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STUDENT POLICY

Your Rights and Responsibilities

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