



Merton Bank's Child-Friendly Safeguarding Policy

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All the adults at Merton Bank Primary School want to keep you **happy, healthy and safe**.

How are we going to protect you?

We will work together to provide a safe school for you to learn in. We want to make sure you stay safe at home as well as in school.

We think it is important for you to know where to get help if you are worried, unhappy or uncomfortable about something.

If you have a worry, feel sad or uncomfortable, you can:

Speak to someone.

It is Mrs. O' Brien's main job to keep all our Merton Bank children **happy, healthy and safe**.

If Mrs. O' Brien isn't in, her helpers are Mrs. King, Mr. Bullough or Mrs. Weatherby

All the grown-ups in school want to keep you **happy, healthy and safe**.

Speak with one of your trusted adults in school – you should have at least 3 trusted adults in your mind who you can go to if you need some help or someone to listen to your worries.

Don't keep it a secret if someone is:

Bullying you

Hitting, punching, smacking or harming you in a way that makes you feel sad, worried or uncomfortable.

Sending unkind messages on a phone or computer.

Doing anything at all to make you feel sad, worried, scared, uncomfortable or unsafe.

Important

Remember, it is NEVER your fault if someone is hurting or abusing you.

There is always someone who can help you.

If you don't feel unsafe and you think you can try and fix the problem yourself, you can say things like:

"STOP – I DON'T LIKE IT"

Or

"YOU ARE MAKING ME FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE, GIVE ME SOME SPACE PLEASE"

If this doesn't work, walk away and tell an adult you trust.

If someone is hurting you, they could be hurting others too.

ALWAYS REPORT IT TO A TRUSTED ADULT

Our Safeguarding Leaders said: *"Feeling safe feels like lots of love hearts"*