Eye to Eye Counselling Service

"Sometimes we all need someone to talk to"

Bullying:

What is Bullying?

If somebody **physically hurts you**, or **verbally abuses you**, that's **bullying**. Bullying can be:

- •Based on your sexual orientation (homophobic)
- •Because of your skin colour or ethnicity (racist)
- •Because of your beliefs or faith (religious)
- •Because you are seen as "different" to them
- •About your body size or personal appearance
- •Online based abuse (cyberbullying/trolling)
- •Calling you names
- •Hitting, pushing, punching, or kicking

Bullying can be a one-off or it can go on for a long time. Either way, it can cause lots of stress and anxiety, which can feel horrible.

What should I do if I'm being bullied?

- Ignoring it won't make it go away, so it's important that you talk to someone you trust. This might be a parent, grandparent, a friend, or a professional from one of the 'Helpful resources.' Just talking about it can be a huge relief
- If the bullying is happening in school, college, or Uni, then talk to your form tutor, Head of Year, your Wellbeing/Pastoral Care unit, or a teacher/tutor that you like. They have a duty to make you **feel safe** and free from harm
- Block anybody that makes you feel bad online, and any accounts they make
- Keep **a log** of the bullying i.e. screenshots, photos, diary logs with dates etc
- Talk about your worries with your school or community Eye to Eye counsellor
- Understand that bullying can be upsetting and difficult, but it's not your fault
- Make **self-care** a priority- good sleep, staying active, and trying to do relaxing hobbies as much as possible can really help
- Balance things out by surrounding yourself with good people who make you feel positive





Useful Contacts

Eye to Eye Counselling Service: 01443 202940 Email: info@eyetoeye.wales

> ChildLine 0800 1111 Www.childline.org (online chat available)

> The Mix 0808 808 4994 Www.themix.org.uk (online chat available)

Kooth Www.kooth.com (online chat)

Helpful Resources

Young Minds: Bullying

Shout: Support with Bullying

The Mix: Bullying Information and

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