

At Meole Brace School we believe that all young people have the right to live and learn in a safe and harassment free environment, but we recognise that sometimes things happen which can cause serious and prolonged distress. We want to make sure that the young people in our care know how to respond and who to come to for help if they find themselves victims of sexual harassment or any form of abuse.

Email: safeguardingmbs@meole.co.uk

If you have any concerns for yourself (if you are a student) or a friend or concerns for your child email us on the above address outlining what is happening. This address is monitored throughout the day and one of our team will respond to your concern.

Sexual harassment and child on child offences are always taken seriously and we work with statutory agencies to ensure the safety and welfare of students who report concerns. These include the Police, COMPASS, Children's Services, AXIS counselling and Purple Leaf.

What is harmful sexual behaviour?

The NSPCC defines harmful sexual behaviour (HSB) as developmentally inappropriate sexual behaviour which is displayed by children and young people. It can be displayed towards younger children, peers, older children or adults, and is harmful to the children and young people who display it, as well as the people it is directed towards.

NSPCC

A helpline was launched by the NSPCC on 1st April 2021 to support potential victims of sexual harassment and abuse. Run by the NSPCC it aims to provide advice and support to both children and adults who are victims of abuse in school. It will also include how to contact the police to report crimes. The advice line is also available to support professionals and parents.

NSPCC helpline number is 0800 136 663.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/about-us/news-opinion/2021/sexual-abuse-victims-schools-helpline/>

Some other useful resources:

<https://www.purpleleaf.org.uk/>

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/media/4612/compass-operation-procedure-v10-march-2017.pdf>

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/rsa/rape-and-sexual-assault/support-for-victims-of-rape-and-sexual-assault/>

Always tell an adult you trust.

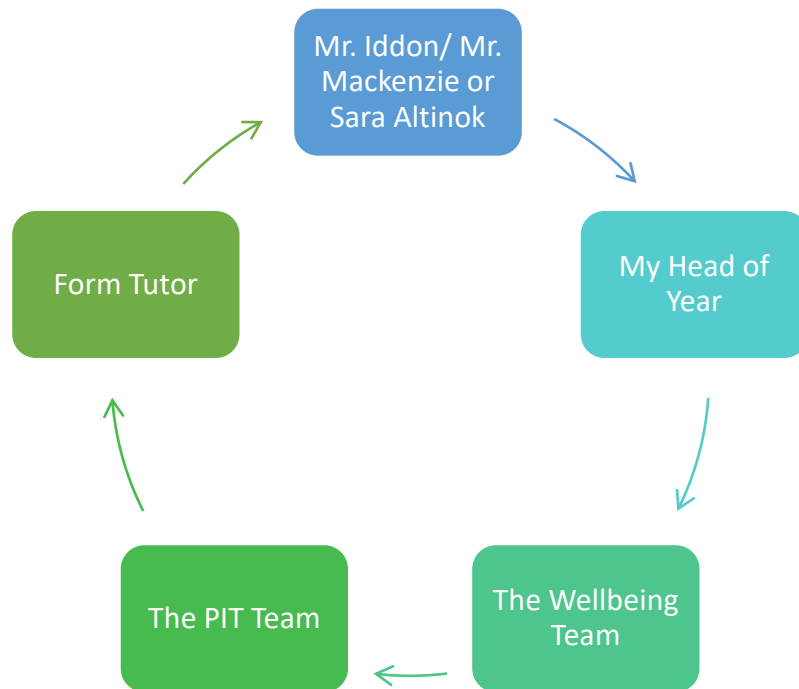
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“IT’S JUST
A JOKE”

Sexual harassment, bullying and discrimination
are never fun. *It's time for a better world.*

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Sexual Harassment in School.

Who should I talk to? There are a number of people in school you could talk to directly.



Or you could email safeguardingmbs@meole.co.uk

The most important thing is that you tell someone so that you can get the help you need and deserve.

Sexual Harassment is never ‘just a joke’