

## Sexual Harassment & Assault

In the Summer of 2021, the Government published a review of Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment in Schools and Universities across the country, following incidents published on the website [www.everyonesinvited.uk](http://www.everyonesinvited.uk). At Beckfoot Oakbank we remain fully committed to supporting students and challenging all forms of Sexual Harassment and Abuse in both our local community and the wider society. Abuse between young people (sometimes called Peer-on-Peer Abuse) can take many forms but all disclosures from students or parents will be taken seriously and external agencies informed wherever necessary, it is important that students can feel safe and comfortable to speak to a trusted adult in school.

Examples of inappropriate behaviour would include:

- Sexual harassment, such as sexual comments, remarks, jokes and online sexual harassment, which may be stand-alone or part of a broader pattern of abuse.
- Receiving unsolicited explicit photographs or videos.
- Sending, or being pressured to send, nude and semi-nude photographs or videos.
- Being sent or shown solicited or unsolicited online explicit material, such as pornographic videos.
- Upskirting, which typically involves taking a picture under a person's clothing without them knowing, with the intention of viewing their genitals or buttocks to obtain sexual gratification, or to cause the victim humiliation, distress or alarm.
- Sexual violence, such as rape, assault by penetration and sexual assault including unwanted touching.

If you are a student and feel you have been a victim of sexual harassment or assault we would encourage you to talk with a trusted adult in school, a Head of Year or any of the Wellbeing Team who will all support you. Parents – for any incidents occurring outside of school, please don't hesitate to telephone the Police on 101 or email our two safer Schools Police Officers directly (see below). School can guide you through this process if you contact the Wellbeing team.

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