



KiVa Solihull



Summer 2017 brings an exciting anti-bullying opportunity for a small number of schools in the Solihull area.

KiVa is an innovative school-based, anti-bullying program which has been developed in Finland using extensive research on bullying and its mechanisms. KiVa is a program designed for schools to prevent and tackle bullying swiftly and effectively.

Meriden CE Primary School has been a KiVa school for 18 months. Within the first year, key successes have included:

- ✓ **Children either experiencing or witnessing bullying dropping by up to 50% in most classes**
- ✓ **Recorded incidents of bullying decreasing each month**
- ✓ **Children showing a much clearer understanding of what bullying is and how to deal with it**
- ✓ **Parents' perceptions and engagement around anti-bullying issues dramatically improving.**

In October 2016 Ofsted noted, *“The school has introduced a new whole-school approach to the teaching of anti-bullying. As a result, pupils have an **excellent understanding of what bullying is, what to do if it happens and who to tell.** The school has worked actively with parents to share their work on anti-bullying and behaviour in addition to commissioning an external review of the school’s anti-bullying work. Most parents say that **the school manages behaviour well and staff deal effectively with bullying.**”*

If this is of interest to your school, our first 2-day KiVa training course led by accredited KiVa trainer Susan Clarkson is taking place on **Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th May 2017.**

The cost for this course is £600 (plus VAT) which allows for two members of staff to be trained. Also included are all relevant lesson plans and materials as well as lunch and refreshments on both days.

Please email admin@kivasolihull.com for more information or click the link <https://youtu.be/COB9uNgwUp4> for more details about this initiative.

We look forward to hearing from you.

KiVa Solihull team