Bullying Causes Long Term Health Problems

A study from the Boston Children’s Hospital which was published in Pediatrics (Official Journal Of The America Academy Of Pediatrics) on February 17 states that childhood bullying can cause long-term health problems that persist even into adulthood.

Bullying Facts & Statistics:
- There are 160,000 children miss school every day due to fear of attack or intimidation by other students. Source: National Education Association.
- American schools harbor approximately 2.1 million bullies and 2.7 million of their victims. Dan Olweus, National School Safety Center.
- 1 in 7 Students in Grades K-12 is either a bully or a victim of bullying.
- 71% of students report incidents of bullying as a problem at their school.
- 282,000 Students are physically attacked in secondary schools each month.
- Suicide is the third leading cause of death among young people, resulting in about 4,400 deaths per year.
- According to the US Census bureau about 2.5 million people die every year in the United States that’s from all causes and all ages. Assuming all days are equal that means that about 6850 people die every day in our country.

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- Scared to go out (79%) because they are frightened they might be bullied

Bullying in College, according to a Health Day News study in 2012:
- 15 percent of college students said they were bullied while at college.
- 22 percent reported being cyber-bullied.

Many children are afraid and crying out for help, they feel alone and think no-one will listen, the children search for protection and are in need of a safe environment. We are here to let them know that their cries have been heard, we speak for the children when they can't speak for themselves. Let's show them that it's ok, Be A Voice For The Children by supporting and donating for the Cause....

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Eight of out 10 disabled children bullied, report finds

Children and young people with learning disabilities are more likely to face bullying than their peers, according to the charity Mencap. In a report published, survey by leading learning disability charity, Mencap, revealed (18 June 2007) the charity found that 82% of children with learning disabilities are bullied and 79% are scared to go out because they are frightened they might be bullied.

These figures have risen since last year, when 69% of children surveyed by Bullying Online said they had been bullied.

Dame Jo Williams, Mencap's chief executive, said: "These shocking findings show how big a problem bullying is for children with a learning disability." Bullying takes place everywhere, inside and outside of the classroom, Dame Williams said.

"Children said they were bullied everywhere they went, on the bus, at youth centers, in parks and on the street. It happens outside the playground but also inside the school gates. Many children are too afraid to go out for fear they will be bullied."

Children with learning disabilities are missing out on opportunities to learn and make friends, socialize and play, she said. "If action is not taken to tackle bullying, children with a learning disability will face bullying and isolation all their lives."

Over 500 children and young people with a learning disability across England, Wales and Northern Ireland took part in Mencap's bullying survey. It is the most extensive survey to date about the experiences of bullying of children with a learning disability.

Children and young people with a learning disability can be bullied everywhere they go, including at school, in the park, on the bus, in the street and at out-of-school clubs. They are more likely to be bullied by other children because they are seen as 'different' and as 'easy targets' by bullies.

Bullying has a long-term impact, making it harder for children and young people to develop skills and gain confidence - both of which are already hard for children with a learning disability.

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- Six out of ten (58%) children with a learning disability had been physically hurt by bullies
- Five out of ten (53%) children who had experienced bullying said that they stayed away from the places where they have been bullied in the past
- Six out of ten (56%) children said they cried because they were bullied
- Three out of ten (33%) said they hid away in their room.
- Four out of ten (36%) children surveyed said that the bullying didn't stop when they told someone
- Three out of ten (27%) children surveyed were bullied for three years or more.

We must take steps to tackle bullying now and provide children with the appropriate skills, tools and support to give them the confidence to tackle bullying."

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