

DragonFire3 News

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SPECIAL EDITION- BULLYING IN OUR SCHOOLS

WHAT'S GOING ON RIGHT NOW?

Editors Note: One of the biggest problems across schools in the U.S has been the unfortunate problem of 'bullying'. DragonFire3 defines a bully as 'someone who constantly threatens or picks on you. Someone who makes you feel sad, scarred, embarrassed or mad'. Bullying can cause a student extreme pain, and should be stopped at all costs. The members of DragonFire3 would like say that a Bully may be feared but will NEVER be respected. They went in depth to discuss more about this, share personal stories, and see what we can do. Here are some of our stories...

"My Story"

One time I met a kid and he told me if I could join in a group of bullying. He told me that if I didn't join I would get beat up by all the kids in the group, so then I said yes, I'll join. As the days passed he would always call all the kids from the group and would tell us to fight with other kids and other groups, but every time we went to recess I would think I cant do this. I didn't like being a bully in the 2nd grade but I just kept fighting. Everyday after recess he would call us to sit with him in lunch and he would tell us what's the plan for the next day. This kept going until one day we were fighting and the teachers saw us. They talked to our parents and we talked to the sub-director. I'm glad we got in trouble and had to stop. I felt so sad for hitting a lot of kids. – *Javier Melgarejo*

One time I saw somebody get bullied and since that day there was a change in me. I remember that day, I was walking down the stairs with my brand new boots, and a kid passed by and hit the girl next to me. He told her "Why did you tell your mom I hit you!", I knew I couldn't just stand there. So I helped her and defended her. I knew that from that day on I myself would never be a bully. – *Aimee Benitez*

Who are We?

Assembled on August 23, 2010; We are students enrolled in ALUMI Media's enrichment program. Every day, we meet afterschool to discuss current events and ways to communicate with our society. We hope you enjoy this newsletter!



A DRAGON'S OPINION

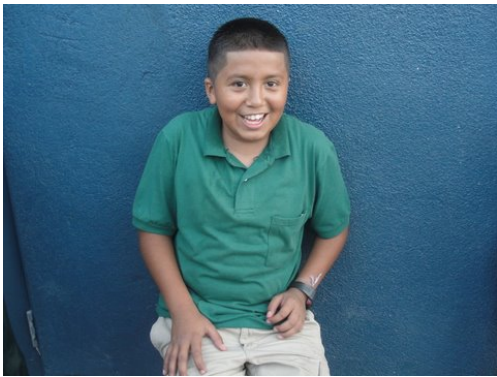
DO YOU THINK A BULLY CAN CHANGE???



Yes, definitely. For example, if a bully wants to play with you and your friends, just tell them "No, we don't like bullies," that way they can change. - Chris, 5th grader



No, I don't think they can change. They can't be nicer. They'll still say bad words...maybe we can tell them to stop- Nahielly, 2nd grader



I do think a bully can change. We have to show them how to respect. – See blog.



It depends...just be nice, because if we are mean maybe they'll just be meaner. Dianara, 7th grader

For more clips of students, and for full interviews please visit the ALumi blog!!

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“My Story” (continued)

I bullied ___ in the playground because he used to bully me. I still felt sad because I hurt his feelings in the past, when we were in 1st grade. In the 2nd grade, I got into a fight with him and we had to go to Ms Carillo about what happened in the playground, after that day we became friends and we started to play. Now I try not to be a bully because I don't like getting in trouble – *Luis Jolalpa*



One time I got bullied by my friend who said “I am ugly and st*pid!” I went to the bathroom and started crying. My sister came inside and told me “Just don't listen.” – *Karla Calvo*

When I was 6 years old I got bullied by someone. I came home from school and asked if I could go outside and he said yes, so I went to find some friends and when I did, I asked if I could play with them. They said yes and we started to play football, then soccer, then basketball. Then we started playing a game called ‘sinturasos’ and when I hit a boy bully he got mad. It was on a Thursday. I got mad too and we started to fight. He said “Don't do that to me st*pid” and I started to cry. My dad was talking to his other son and I told David to not tell and he said ok, but he did and my dad got very upset with me. My mom went to tell the dad of the bully. The next day I went to play with my friends but in another place because the bully was in the same place that we were fighting. So we went to the same place where we played yesterday and we got even more friends, much more friends than the bully who picked on me. He had NO friends, and he started to cry. – *Rene Ordonez*



One day when I was in recess I tried to hide because someone made me scared. When he found me he hit me so hard and he told me a bad word so I told him one back. Two students saw it and talked to the bully and told him it was wrong to hit a girl, then the bully hit the girl who was trying to help me. Then I got scared because I thought my friend was going to get mad at me and hit me too so I ran away. She saw me run and she said “what's wrong with you?”. Now I know that people can help stop bullies. – *Micaela Zarat*



**WHO IS THIS
DRAGON?**



I am very nice. I have a tiny Chihuahua puppy. I am a respectful student ☺



I am a great writer. I am nice to all students. I like being a leader.

Announcements

\$\$REWARD \$\$

Lost Dog If found Please Call

(213)309-7076 -Jose

(213)446-2525 -Jackie

Dark Brown Medium Size Goes by the name Marley



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Pelo Café Oscuro. Tamaño Mediano Se llama Marley.

Thank you for reading!

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