## Class presentation on bullying

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### **Results of interviews with children**

Have you ever been bullied at school? Yes 2 No 2 Do you have these problems at your school....?

Students hitting other students? Yes 5 No 1 Students pushing other students? No<sub>1</sub> Yes 5 No 2 Students stealing from other students? Yes 4 Students spreading rumors about other students? Yes 5 No 1 No 0 Students refusing to work with other students? Yes 6 Students making fun of other students? No 0 Yes 6 No 0 Students insulting other students? Yes 6

### **Results of interviews with children**

Why do children bully other children?

- •Bullies are jealous.
- •To feel stronger and secure about themselves.
- •In order to make themselves feel superior.
- •Because children enjoy watching others children suffer

What should a child do if they are bullied at school?

- •Talk to the teacher.
- •Talk to the parents.
- •Tell the bully to stop bothering them.

### **Results of interviews with schools**

#### School interviews

Cecilia Ortega, a Cesar Chavez teacher
The Cesar Chavez school office
The Leonard Flynn school office

#### How does your school stop bullying?

Meet in groups of parents, teachers and students to evaluate and speak about the issue of bullying to make the best decisions

#### What should a parent do if their child is bullied at school?

•Parents should speak to the teachers so the teachers observe the students attitude

### Students ideas about bullying

What should a parent do if their child is bullied at school?

- •Talk with the principal
- •Talk to the teacher
- •Talk to the parents
- •Talk to the children

How can the school stop bullying?

Pay attention to complaints from the childrenGive information about bullying

•Talk to the parents about their children

#### Students ideas about bullying

Why do children bully other children?

Because the child is chubby
Because a child is shy
Because there is violence in home and in the school

How do you support your child from getting bullied?

Talk with themSee what type of classmates they have

### Our Stories about bullying

#### My friend's story by Beatriz

My friend Ana was very chubby when she was a kid and all the kids made fun of her and called her names. She cried and didn't want to go to school. She didn't want to tell her parents about it. Her parents started to get worried because she didn't want to go to school. Her parents went to school and talked with the teachers at her school. The teachers didn't know about the problem. A girl from the class told her teacher that the other kids were making fun of her and called her different names. The teachers talked with the children about bullying. The students understood everything and apologized to Ana.

#### My friend's story by Yuliana

A friend was cyber bullied. They sent him emails. They insulted him and called him disrespectful names. They also bullied him because he couldn't pronounce where he was from.

# My story by Martha

My freckled face was the main subject in my classroom because all my classmates took a look at my face and imagined some fruits and turkey eggs. They were behind me, yelling at me those fruit names. It was hard to ignore all those laughing from them and all I could do was try to hit them or throw stones at them. That was a hard time because from the minute I woke up until the end of the class I felt my stomach squeezing my chest.

### **Bella's story by Rosa**

In the classroom of my son a girl was bullied because their classmates don't want to play with her. Maybe she is chubby. I don't know why they children are doing this. When the children went on a field trip, they told her you aren't my partner.

The children don't know this problem is big for the girl.

## My story by Ramona

When I was in school some children would hit another child. They bothered him and would steal his lunch. He was afraid and did nothing. When the class finished, the kid would run to his house.

# A girl's story by Ana

Sauri is a 9 year old child who is rejected by her classmates for being obese. I don't know if the school or her mother knows about this problem. I don't know what to do.

# My daughter's story by Sandra

My daughter was a victim of bullying that happened frequently in school. In school two of her classmates bothered her and would call her names such as ugly, fat and stupid. The teacher would hear them and see them throw things at her, but they didn't stop the bullying until one day she had enough and decided to hit her classmates. She hit them and the teacher punished her. I feel bad. It was not the best idea how she defended herself. I feel bad for not knowing and not talking with her.

## My son's story by Miriam

On the playground at school, my son laan hit another student with a ball by accident. The student got mad and pushed my son. He was bullying my son. Another student told the boy to stop bullying laan. He told the principal. The principal stopped the bullying.

# Bullying in my school by Oscar

In my high school, the children called me disrespectful names. And the teachers also called me disrespectful names. This made me feel angry. The bullying continued every day in high school.