Bullying

I think bullying is not an issue in all New Zealand schools. Our school is relatively safe, some schools however have an increase bullying issues and technology and the media have a strong influence on bullying.

Our school is relatively safe because of it being a small country school. After talking to a couple of teachers I found out that our school has only had a couple of fights and some verbal bullying, but it has not gotten any more serious than that. One reason why the bullying incidents have not gotten more serious is because of the school being so small everyone knows each other. Who wants to pick on their friend?

In contrast to our small school there are some larger more dangerous schools in New Zealand. Which have an increasing number of bullying issues. This shows us that bullying is growing and reaching dangerous levels. Sooner or later this is going to get really bad someone could get seriously injured or killed. We watched a documentary in from 20/20 that showed two teenagers in a large North Island School who were savagely beaten. There was a lot of discussion about the influence of the gansta culture and how it has resulted in a higher level of violence in teenage bullying.

Recently the way people go about bully has changed because of the new technology and media. This pay’s a big part of the influences on bullying. We see this by the internet sire, like Bebo, Myspace and many more. People use these site’s to bully people by writing so that mean they don’t have to say it face to face. Another way we this is by txting, this plays a main part in bullying. The consequences of txt bullying is the same as over the internet so you can heart people feeling with out talking to them face to face.

I Think it is not an issue in schools because most of the bullying is only writing. It is not face to face. So in my perspective it doesn’t really mean anything. I found out that bullying is not a big issue in schools around New Zealand.