

PRIMARY LINKS

DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND ABUSE

GUIDANCE

[National Union of Teachers – Silence is not always golden](#)

This guidance includes information on tackling domestic violence through the curriculum and how schools can challenge gender stereotypes.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

[Women’s Aid Federation Northern Ireland – A strategy for children and young people 2019–2029](#)

This 10 year strategy outlines how this voluntary organisation plans to support, protect and nurture children that are affected by domestic violence and abuse.

[Together Against Domestic Abuse](#)

This website features e-books for schools and children and young people that cover topics like how schools can prevent domestic violence and abuse.

TEACHING RESOURCES

[Women’s Aid – The Expect Respect Educational Toolkit](#)

Featuring lessons for Foundation Stage to Year 13, this resource can help pupils understand and identify the different types of domestic abuse.

[Tes – Healthy Relationship Programme: Key Stage 2 \(domestic violence and abuse prevention theme\)](#)

Featuring four one hour workshops, this resource covers topics like the different types of abuse and acceptable behaviour in adult relationships.

[Bristol Domestic Abuse Prevention Project – Spiralling Toolkit for safer, healthier relationships](#)

This resource includes information on how schools can help prevent domestic abuse and activities that aim to teach positive behaviour and attitudes as a way of preventing abusive behaviour.

[Dot Com Children’s Foundation](#)

Featuring cartoon character Dot Com and her friends, this programme can help primary school pupils learn about positive behaviours and how to keep themselves safe.

[Tes – Domestic Abuse and Consent](#)

This presentation explores the impact of domestic abuse and the importance of consent to help pupils recognise abusive relationships.

[Tes – Parents Fighting and Impact on Children](#)

Created by the Children’s Society, this resource, which features a young boy who is worried about his parents arguing, can help pupils learn about domestic violence issues.

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[Youth and Policing Education Hub – Domestic Abuse](#)

Aimed at encouraging children and young people to recognise the signs of domestic abuse, this resource can help them to explore and challenge the myths that perpetuate domestic abuse.

TRAINING

[Women's Aid Federation Northern Ireland – Developing Social Guardians](#)

This one day training programme can build capacity for primary school teachers to deliver Helping Hands and enable them to provide an appropriate response to domestic violence.

SUPPORT ORGANISATION

[Women's Aid Federation Northern Ireland – Local groups](#)

These groups throughout Northern Ireland deliver specialised support services to women and children who have experienced domestic violence.