

What Are MENDING Circles ?

- Mediating
- Ends
- Negative
- Disagreements

When someone has done something that has broken the school rules or code of conduct and has hurt someone else in some way...

Then that person has the chance to right the wrong and fix the harm or hurt that their actions have caused.

How Do Mending Circles Work?

- Mediating
- by
- Empowering
- with
- Nurturing
- Dialogue

Sometimes just having someone to help you talk about things with one another when you are upset or angry is enough.

Have you done something that hurt someone else?

Voluntary!
..You Choose

Have you been hurt by something someone else did?

Facilitators can help you to fix things and make it right.

Why We Do Them

MENDING Circles

How They Work ..

Helping you to talk to one another, understand one another better and work together to solve conflict.

This will mean that the person(s) who caused the hurt or harm will meet with their Support Facilitator who will :

- Explain how things work and what choices you have
- Ask you to explain what happened
- Talk to you about how it may have hurt others
- Help you to get ready for a meeting



The person(s) who have been hurt or harmed will meet with their Support Facilitator who will :

- Explain how things work and what choices you have
- Ask you to talk about what happened and how you feel
- Talk to you about what you need to feel better
- Help you get ready for a meeting

Harmony

Integrity



Reputation

Courage

At The MENDING Circle Meeting

The person who has caused the hurt / harm will be asked to : take responsibility for their actions, explain what happened, who was hurt and how.

The people who have been hurt / harmed will be asked to talk about how this event affected them.

Everyone will work together to make up a plan to help the person who caused the hurt / harm to do better in the future, and to help whoever was hurt / harmed to feel better.



We hope that you will find it helps you and others: this is a chance to fix things up and to put this event behind you.

Everyone who chooses to, will then take part in a meeting :

- Both facilitators will be there to help you at the meeting
- Your parents, as well as the parents of any other students involved can be invited
- You may invite another support person of your own (teacher, counsellor, friend etc.)