Anti-bullying Summit 7/12/2012 - Point Clear, AL By being pro-active in teaching peace building skills in young children, we can avoid having to be reactive at a later time. We provide age-appropriate resources to caretakers of young children so that the caretaker can create a curriculum that best meets the needs of his/her children.

What is bullying and what type of behaviors constitute bullying?

Bullying is

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What are your favorite books that deal with bullies?

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What positive experiences have people had that enable them not to be bullies?
Places to find book for the young child about peaceful living  www.peacestudycenter.org  (Peace Study Center – Baltimore, MD) online catalog lists 2000+ resources on peacemaking skills /create your own library at www.Librarything.com  www.amazon.com  Advanced Search: Keyword- bully; Ages 4-8 brings up about 300 titles (alternate the Keyword to say “Peace” or “Friendship” etc. for additional titles (look at various lists in listamania) www.tolerance.org Teaching Tolerance Magazine. This magazine published twice a year by the Southern Poverty Law Center is available at no cost to teachers and other interested groups and individuals. They also provide free of charge kits, films, videos, posters, etc. that promote understanding and respect for all. Each issue has great book reviews for students grades K-
www.quakerbooks.org/children-young-adults - With a focus to Quaker philosophy, this website offers a catalog of books for children with Quaker values

Most professional books list extensive bibliographies.

Books about real people who have been bullied or abused help children understand positive ways to react to bullying.

Wangari’s Trees of Peace by Jeanette Winter. (There are a number of books about Wangari Maathai in addition to this one.) Like many other people awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, Wangari Maathai served time in prison for her beliefs. “She is a shining example of how one woman’s passion, vision, and determination can inspire great change.” (book jacket)

Richard Wright and the Library Card by Richard Miller. Tells the story of a segregated library and how Richard Wright was able to borrow books although at the time Blacks were denied the use of the library.

The Harvey Milk Story by Karen Krakow. Harvey Milk was San Francisco’s first openly gay city official.

Other famous subjects might include Martin Luther King, Jr.; Rosa Parks, Harry Truman, Albert Einstein, many international Nobel Peace Prize winners, etc.

Books with various types of bullying

Swimmy by Leo Lionni. Fearing that the big fish will eat them, Swimmy and his fish friends show how working together will prevent the big fish from eating them.
Back Home by Gloria Pinkney. Cousin Jack who lives in the country on a farm begins to tease Cousin Ernestine who is visiting from the city for her “citified” ways. Ernestine wonders if they can ever be friends.

Howard B. Wigglebottom learns about Bullies by Howard Binkow. Howard B. Wigglebottom faces bullies every day and every day he tries to avoid being bullied. In the end, he knows he has to get help from an adult. (Howard B. Wigglebottom is learning about………. is a series)

Trouble Talk by Trudy Ludwig. Although Bailey’s, hurtful talk (lying, gossiping, spreading rumors, and telling secrets) is done to gain attention, Bailey learns that this is not the way to friendship.

Yoko by Rosemary Wells. Yoko is teased when she brings her sushi lunch to school. Predictable but delightful solution to teasing about culture. This is just one of many many books showing how food can bring people together.

In Our Mother’s House by Patricia Polacco. Children in families with gay members may not be understood or accepted by everyone. I highly recommend all of Patricia Polacco’s books! Most deal with conflict resulting from differences, exclusions and misunderstandings. All include models of love and kindness, trust and understanding.

The Araboolies of Liberty Street by Sam Swope. (Maryland Black-eyed Susan Picture book award winner) The children welcome their new neighbors, the Araboolies, but General Pinch doesn’t like people who are different. (One of my all-time favorite books!)

Monster Mama by Rosenberg. Even though she's a real monster, Patrick Edward loves his mom--especially when she uses her powers to tame a trio of young bullies--in this illustrated picture book about the universal love between a mother and her child. (from Amazon.com)

Often bullies want to be successful in their community but don’t know the skills of community living. Using appropriate information books can be useful.

Do’s and Don’ts by Todd Parr. Each “do” behavior is followed by a “Don’t” behavior. Although this books appears very simple, let your child dig deeper for understanding exactly what the author is saying.I recommend all of Todd Parr’s titles!!

Manners Can Be Fun by Munro Leaf. One of the earliest manners books, this title is still relevant today. Concrete behaviors that enable people to like each other and live together in harmony as well as behaviors that people don’t like are presented throughout the book.

Providing a model of a peaceful environment in a book can help the reader take the necessary steps to peace.

Can You Say Peace? By Karen Katz. Every September 21 on the international Day of Peace, children around the world wish in many different languages for peace. (CIP) Dedicated “to all the children around the world, our peacemakers of the future”
The Peace Book by Todd Parr. Parr sharing with his young audience simple activities and behaviors that would “spell” peace if everyone were able to be included in these situations. How do we make these global situations come about?

Ferdinand by Munro Leaf. This little bull who is strong and powerful is carried to the bullfights but would really rather just sit and smell the flowers. (how do we say “No” to fighting?)

Somewhere Today: a book of Peace by Shelley Moore Thomas

What Does Peace Feel Like? By Vladimir Radunsky

Peace Begins with You by Scholes

Whoever You Are by Mem Fox

There are more professional books about teaching peace in the classroom than I could have ever imagined.

Kids on the Path: school Labyrinth guide by Marge McCarthy. There are quite a number of books about using labyrinths with children and stories to support the belief that children can become more introspective and co-operative using labyrinths. Some are floor models for walking others are finger models for individuals and dual models for co-operative labyrinth experiences. Children can make their own labyrinth from a variety of items such as beans, yarns, or simply learn to draw one of the classic models or create a labyrinth of their own. (Labyrinths are not the same thing as mazes.)

The New Bully Free Classroom: Proven Prevention and Intervention Strategies for Teachers K-8 by Allan L. Beane . Packed with ideas for preventing bullying in the classroom and strategies for including all children. There is also a Bully Free Game, posters, activity sheets, etc. in addition to the book.

The Peaceful Classroom: 162 Easy Acitivites to Teach Preschoolers compassion by Charles Smith

Our Peaceful Classroom by Aline Wolfe

The Peaceful Classroom in Action: a K-6 Activity Guide on How to Create One and How to Keep it by Naomi Drew

Children Who are not yet Peaceful: preventing exclusion in the Early Elementary Classroom by Donna Bryant Goetz.

Picture This!: Using Picture Story Books for character Education in the Classroom by Claire Stephens.
While this title is not for everyone, I include it as no doubt the situation comes up at some time in most classrooms.

Little Zizi by Thierry Lenain. In this book, Martin is challenged to a literal pissing contest by the school bully. I have not seen this book.