



Rights Respecting Schools Newsletter 1 - December 2023

Welcome to our very first...

Rights Respecting School Newsletter!

What a fantastic journey we have been on so far, and very busy!

Since achieving 'Bronze - Rights Committed' we have been following our Action Plan to make Heygarth Primary School a 'Rights Aware' school ready for our Silver accreditation visit in March 2024. To do this we are promoting the United Nations Convention on the Rights of a Child across the school by making the articles visible and promoting discussion and awareness about them in class. Each class has elected a Rights Respecting Schools Ambassador to advocate and promote children's rights. We will meet regularly to discuss articles, assemblies, events and much more! The children will be the driving force behind our Rights Respecting Schools journey so let's hear from them...



Meet our Rights Respecting School Ambassadors

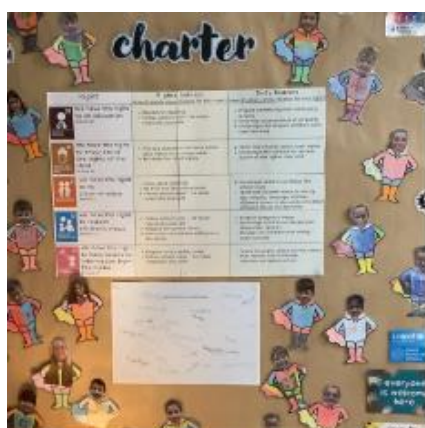


So far, we have stuck up articles showing the 'Rights of the Child' around school so the children know they all have rights. We have also delivered an amazing assembly and are currently creating posters for our mascot competition! We are very proud to be part of the Rights Respecting School's team and love wearing our badges.

By Amelia, Elif and Emily

Some examples of our Class Charters

Each class has created a Class Charter, these are agreements between the Rights Holders (children) and the Duty Bearers (adults). Each class selected 4 articles they felt most relevant and discussed how they would promote these within their class. They then designed and signed their class charter.



Useful links:

You can visit the UNICEF website for a summary of the convention of Children's Rights:

<https://www.unicef.org.uk/rights-respecting-schools/the-rrsa/introducing-the-crc/>

For more information about Rights Respecting Schools visit:

www.unicef.org.uk/rights-respecting-schools



Some of the articles the children of Heygarth have chosen as most relevant.



Maybe you could discuss these and what they mean to you and your family?



Mascot Competition

Design our first Rights Respecting School Mascot, posters, just like this, will be going up around school.

Deadline for entries is Friday 26th January.

What do you think will make a great mascot for a Rights Respecting School?

We look forward to bringing you more news and events next term, in the meantime any ideas or questions please speak to the Rights Respecting Schools Ambassadors or myself, Mrs Jaggard!

