The Rights Respecting Award

There are three parts to the Rights Respecting School Award – Bronze, Silver and Gold. At Cross Arthurlie we have achieved **Bronze: Rights Committed** which means we are aware of the UN convention on the Rights of the Child and have started to learn about some of the rights.

Our next step is to work together to share our learning about rights and the impact they have on children's lives with the whole school community.



The Equality Committee

In every class we have an Equality Committee representative. Their role is to share our learning about rights with their class and the whole school. They play an important part in planning what we learn as part of our Health and Wellbeing curriculum and organising events which help recognise and celebrate children's rights.

How you can help at home

Discuss the difference between wants and needs.

Discuss decisions made by world leaders and local politicians and how they affect children and local communities.

Discuss local and national issues such as charity work or topical issues on the news e.g. Comic Relief, floods, earthquakes, and the impact on children.







We are the Equality committee and this leaflet will tell you all about our work towards UNICEF's Rights Respecting School Award (RRSA).

The charity UNICEF protects and supports children. The Rights Respecting School Award aims to share information about the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).



What is a UNICEF Rights Respecting School?

Every child has rights, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language or abilities. Everyone needs rights to live a happy and healthy life. We have rights to make life fair. By learning about these rights we can work together as a team to treat everyone equally and help those who need support.

A Rights Respecting School not only teaches about rights but models them.

What are some of our rights?

Each right in the United Nations Convention (UNCRC) is called <u>an</u> <u>article</u>. There are 54 articles and each article is of <u>equal</u> importance.

We have been learning about the different articles in the UNCRC. Here are some articles we decided to focus on this year.



Article 15: You have the right to choose your own friends and join groups.

Article 24: You have the right to clean water and healthy food.

Article 28: You have the right to go to school and have a good education.

Article 39: You have the right not to be hurt or badly treated.

Rights in Cross Arthurlie Primary

At Cross Arthurlie our ethos and values are closely linked to the UNCRC. Kindness, loyalty, honesty, respect and fairness are shown by all our pupils, parents and staff. These values are supported and shared through whole school assemblies and rewarded through our House Points system. We have also introduced a 'Right of the Week' in our assembly to focus and learn about a new article each week.

Class Charters

Each class have created a class charter and have chosen six rights they feel are important to their class. They talk about these articles regularly during their learning.

