

What are Rights?

“Rights” are things every child should have or be able to do. All children around the whole world have the same rights. These rights are written in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. Most countries have agreed to these rights. All rights are connected to each other, and all are important. Rights are not a reward nor are they given by anyone or from an action. Sometimes, we have to think about rights in terms of what is the best for children in a situation, and what is important for life and protection from harm. As you grow, you have more responsibility to make choices and exercise your rights.



Meet the Steering Group...



Two children from each year 1 and 2 class were nominated by their class peers to represent the class. They attend meetings and work on different Rights Respecting projects. They share the views of their class and help to improve life for children at school, in the local area and around the world.

Rights Respecting



What does it mean
to be a Rights
Respecting School?



Information for parents and carers

Who is UNICEF?

UNICEF is the world's leading organisation working for children and their rights. In 1989, Governments worldwide promised all children the same rights by adopting **the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC)**. These rights are based on what a child needs to survive, grow, participate and fulfil their potential. There are 54 rights in total.



What do we do that makes us a Rights Respecting School?

The 'Rights Respecting School' award (RRSA) helps our pupils to grow into confident, caring and responsible young citizens both in school and within the wider community. By learning about their rights, our pupils, your children, also learn about the importance of respecting the rights of others i.e. their responsibilities.

Elmwood pupils are encouraged to reflect on how their behaviour and actions affect those around them, which allows us to build and maintain a positive and safe learning environment for all, both in the classroom and around the school site. We do not have school rules but we have negotiated with children about the responsibilities both adults and children have in order to ensure children's rights are at the heart of our school.



These are just a few of children's rights. If you would like more information, please speak to a member of staff or visit the school website.

If you would like more information about the work of UNICEF or a Rights

Respecting School then please visit: www.unicef.org.uk/rrsa.

