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Dear #TeamAbbeyFamilies

We have received the Silver Award for UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School!

We are delighted to announce our school has been awarded the UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School Silver Award.

What does it mean for my child?

Abbey School aims to be a school where children's rights are at the heart of our ethos and culture, to improve well-being and to develop every child's talents and abilities to their full potential. As part of this plan, we are working towards recognition as a 'Rights Respecting School', an award given to schools on behalf of UNICEF UK.

What is the award and where does it come from?

UNICEF is the world's leading organisation working for children and young people and their rights. In 1989, governments across the world agreed that all children have the same rights by adopting the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). These rights are based on what a child needs to survive, grow, participate and fulfil their potential.

How does my child learn about their rights?

#Teamabbey pupils will learn about their rights by putting them in to practice every day as well as a dedicated weekly lesson linked to our PHSE curriculum. A 'Rights Respecting School' models rights and respect in all its relationships.

We really hope that you will be able to support our school as we continue our journey towards becoming a UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School Gold Standard. You can find out more about the Convention on the Rights of the Child by visiting www.unicef.org.uk/crc.

For further information about Rights Respecting Schools please visit: www.unicef.org.uk/rrsa we have also added some questions and answers about the award on the next page.

Please do get in touch if you would like to know more.

As always, we would like to thank you for your continued support.

Wayne Askham

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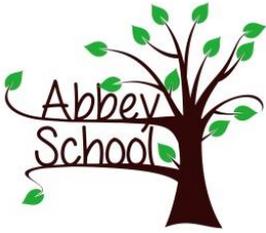


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Becoming a UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

You might ask...	As school leaders we think that...
What is a UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School?	When schools get involved, the children learn about their rights by putting them into practice every day. Children and adults will learn about the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) which outlines what children need to survive and thrive, becoming the best they can be and achieving their potential.
Why is this happening?	A UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School models rights and respect in all its relationships, whether between adults and pupils, between pupils or between adults. It is proven to benefit everyone in the school community to grow and learn together. Read more about the award at www.unicef.org.uk/rrsa
How will becoming a Rights Respecting School benefit my child(ren)?	This approach works in many schools across the country to improve well-being and develop every child's talents and abilities to their full potential. Headteachers from schools involved in the award say it has improved children's and young people's respect for themselves and others and contributed to children and young people being more engaged in their learning.
How can I get involved?	We hope you will continue to support our journey to become a Gold UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School. Please do read about the Convention and UNICEF's work. We will also be sending out information on house events that your child will be undertaking to further learn and apply their rights
What is the Convention on the Rights of the Child?	In 1989, governments worldwide promised all children the same rights by adopting the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. The Convention recognised that all children have the right to be treated with dignity and fairness, to be protected, to develop to their full potential and to participate. The rights in the Convention describe what a child needs to survive, grow, and live up to their potential in the world.





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	<p>They apply equally to every child, no matter who they are or where they come from.</p> <p>The Convention changed the way children are viewed and treated – in other words, as human beings with a distinct set of rights instead of as passive objects of care and charity. It is the most widely ratified human rights treaty – only the United States has not ratified it. The UK signed up to it in 1991.</p> <p>You can read more about it at www.unicef.org.uk/crc and download a summary of the articles at bit.ly/CRC-over11</p>
<p>What is UNICEF?</p>	<p>UNICEF is the world's leading organisation for children and young people, promoting the rights and wellbeing of every child, in everything they do. Together with their partners, UNICEF works in 190 countries to translate that commitment into practical action.</p> <p>UNICEF UK is a registered charity. It raises funds through donations from individuals, organisations and companies and campaigns to keep children safe. UNICEF UK also works with schools, hospitals and local authorities in the UK to put children at the heart of what they do.</p> <p>To find out more about UNICEF, go to www.unicef.org.uk</p>

