

P6/7: United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

What is the UNCRC?

"The UNCRC stands for United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. It has all the rights for people under 18"

Article 12 says that children have the right to an opinion and to be taken seriously. For us this means we talk to our teacher about what we are going to learn at the start of term and we give our ideas. Article 29 says we have the right to an education that develops our personalities and encourages us to respect others. We talk a lot about trust and respect and the school's vision and values.

"The UNCRC is an international convention to protect children's rights"



Fair Trade

Our topic this term has been fair trade. We have been learning about supply chains and how unfair it can be on the producers. One benefit of fair trade is that farmers get paid a fair wage. This means they can afford to feed their children nutritious food, and they can send them to school. We have made up dramas that show the benefits of fair trade.

"Fair trade relates to UNCRC as it makes sure kids get an education"

Rights Respecting Committee and Forum

Max and Penny represented P6/7 in the school's Rights Respecting Schools committee. They also joined the EDC Pupil Forum and did a great job at making their voice heard in our local authority where discussed rights based learning from the pupil point of view. This is really important because the UNCRC is all about under 18s having a voice, and we are proud of the contribution that Max and Penny have made.

Social Justice

We are reading a book called "Rat". These rights relate to our book because the main character (Al)'s mum takes drugs and Al is still figuring out what's going on in his life.

Article 19 says children should be protected from being hurt or badly treated and Al's mum doesn't have enough money to feed him properly.



We love this book so much that can hardly put it down – every time we stop it feels like it's on a cliff hanger!