

We are very proud to be a **Gold level Rights Respecting School**. We learn about children's rights and promote them in everything we do. We were awarded our Gold Level Rights Respecting School Award in March 2019 and are due to be re-assessed in October 2022. We continue to ensure that a Rights Based approach is embedded in our school.

We have a **Rights Respecting School Committee** who work very hard to promote a Children's Rights approach and lead our work within this area. They meet on a fortnightly basis and often present at our school Assembly and within the community.

Each class has a **Class Charter**. This is an agreement that everyone in the class signs. Rights are chosen from the **UNCRC** and Charters vary to suit the age and stage of the children so that they are meaningful. Ask your child about their Class Charter.

We also have a Charter for the lunch hall, gym hall and the playground. These were devised by the RRS Committee and shared during Assembly time.

We make sure that everyone is included in St John's. Many of our pupils communicate using **Makaton** and we encourage everyone to learn some signs.

At Assembly each week a new sign is introduced. We also select a **language of the month** and a **Right of the month** from the UNCRC.



In St John's we use red/green choices and big deal/little deal. Everyone in St John's is treated with dignity and respect and everyone has a chance to have their say. Our school values of **RESPECT** are an important part of our rights approach and children are encouraged to demonstrate these in school.

Reliable

Enthusiastic

Sharing

Polite

Effective

Caring

Team

**Duty Bearers** are adults who make sure that children have access to their rights. In St. John's we have lots of Duty Bearers. Here are some of them.

**Head Teacher** - Mrs Hope

**Depute Head Teacher** - Mrs Prentice

**Depute Head Teacher (ASN)** - Mr O'Donnelly

**Principal Teacher** - Mrs Jamieson

**Principal Teacher (ASN)** - Mrs Dickie

**Office Staff**- Mrs Baird and Mrs Peffers

**Janitor** - Mr Robbins

**All teachers and Support Staff**

## ABCDE of Your Rights

A. Rights are for **All** children

UNIVERSAL

B. Rights are there at **B**irth

INHERENT

C. Rights **C**annot be taken away.

INALIENABLE

D. Rights **D**o not have to be earned.

UNCONDITIONAL

E. All rights are **E**qually important.

INDIVISIBLE



## ST. JOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Information Leaflet**