

Rights Respecting School Award



The Rights Respecting Schools Award (RRSA) recognises achievement in putting the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) at the heart of a school's planning, policies, practice and ethos.

A rights-respecting school not only teaches about children's rights but also models rights and respect in all its relationships: between teachers/adults and pupils, between adults and between pupils.

To find out more about the Rights Respecting Schools Award please visit <http://www.unicef.org.uk/rrsa>

Carrick Primary School has now received its ROC status!

In March 2015 we were delighted to receive our RRSA Recognition of Commitment (ROC) status. During this academic year, we will be working towards achieving Level 1. The RRSA steering group have been busy planning events to help children recognise their rights and responsibilities, both in school and beyond.

We are extremely proud of our children, staff and school. We hope that you will continue to support us on our Rights Respecting journey.

Recognition Of Commitment

The first stage of the RRSA is the Recognition of Commitment (ROC). This is awarded to schools when:

- A steering group composed of adults and children is formed to guide, promote and develop the RR initiative throughout the school.
- An action plan has been completed and signed off by the principal.
- Procedures are put in place for monitoring the impact of the initiative.
- The RRSA is introduced to the school community – staff, pupils, governors, parents and to the wider community

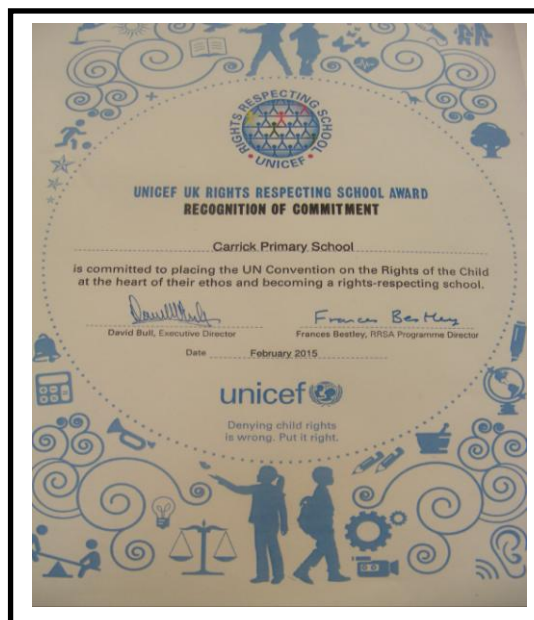
This year we are working towards Level 1.

The RRSA standards set out what a school must do to gain Level 1 accreditation. A school achieving Level 1 has made good progress towards embedding the values and principles of the CRC into the school's ethos and curriculum.

Carrick Primary School will self-evaluate progress and when we believe we have met all the standards then an external assessment will take place.

We will keep you up to date with our progress!

If you have any RR ideas please contact Mrs Cassidy, Mrs Keenan or Mrs Loughran and they can pass on your ideas to the Steering Group for discussion.



RRSA Steering Group

Our RR Steering Group has a very important role in raising awareness of the UNCRC (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child) and promoting the awareness of children's rights at Carrick Primary school.

In our Steering Group meetings, all members work hard to ensure that UNCRC Article 12 'Children should have a say in matters which affect them' is always top of our agenda.

By working together, we seek to ensure that all stakeholders at Carrick Primary School have an opportunity to have their views heard and grow in confidence and knowledge when discussing the UNCRC and its impact on our daily lives.



Carrick Council share an assembly on the work of Trocaire



Primary 2 highlight the need for safety at Halloween

RRSA Steering Group Members

During our meetings children are encouraged to discuss their ideas and opinions. To date our meetings have been very well attended with lots of fantastic ideas discussed.