

Where Are We In Our Rights Respecting Journey?

- Recognition of Commitment – achieved!
- SLT, staff and young people have committed to becoming a rights-respecting school.
- A representative steering group has been formed to guide, promote and develop the initiative throughout the school.
- The steering group has developed an action plan for implementing the RRSA standards and monitoring the impact of the initiative.
- Initial consultations completed with young people and staff.
- School values consultation completed.
- Establishment of Diversity Group within the school.

Our Next Steps

- Assemblies with all year groups to highlight RRSA and the importance of the UN Convention of Rights.
- Focus groups identified within all year groups.
- GIRFEC class activities to promote rights.
- Developing a learning partnership with Kuyanja Private Secondary School in Malawi.
- Regular Learning Council surgeries.

Key Messages

- You are entitled to your rights by being born (Inherent).
- Your rights cannot be taken away (Inalienable)
- No one right is more important than others (Indivisible)
- Rights are for all (Universal)
- Rights do not come with qualifications attached (Unconditional).



Working towards...



Girvan Academy

Our Rights Respecting School
Journey

What Are The Rights Of A Child?

The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) is a comprehensive human rights treaty that enshrines children's rights in international law.

It defines universal principles and standards for the status and treatment of children worldwide.

The UN Convention has 54 articles recognising the rights of children



Our School Values

- *Respect*
- *Responsibility*
- *Ambition*
- *Community*

What Are The Benefits For Our Young People?

- ◆ Improved self-esteem and well-being
- ◆ Improved behaviour and relationships
- ◆ Positive attitudes towards diversity
- ◆ Improved engagement in learning
- ◆ Children and young people's support for global justice
- ◆ Children and young people become more engaged in discussing, planning and reviewing their own learning



What Is The Rights Respecting School Award?

The Rights Respecting Schools Award (RRSA) recognises achievement in putting the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) 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 relationships. Everyone is equal and all opinions are valued.

At Girvan Academy, we achieved our Bronze (Rights Committed) Award in June 2019 and we are now working towards our Silver (Rights Aware) Award.