

## **The Rights of Every Child**

The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child sets out the human rights of every person under 18. It was adopted by the UN General Assembly in 1989 and ratified by the UK in 1991.

### **What is the Rights Respecting School Award?**

The RRSA supports schools across the UK to embed children's rights in their ethos and culture.

The award is based upon principles of equality, dignity, respect, non-discrimination and participation.

It recognises achievement in putting the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child at the heart of a school's practice to improve well-being and help all children realise their potential.

A rights respecting school is a community where children's rights are learned, practised, respected, taught, protected and promoted.

Schools involved in the award have reported a positive impact on behaviour, relationships and well-being, leading to better learning, improved academic standards and a reduction in bullying.