

# RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOLS AWARD NEWSLETTER



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Welcome to the first monthly Cavendish RRSA Newsletter. Having achieved the Bronze: Rights Committed Award in June 2018, we are pleased to be embarking on our journey to the Silver: Rights Aware Award and becoming 'brilliant rights respecting citizens'.

## What is the RRSA?

Unicef is the world's leading organisation working for children and young people and their rights. In 1989, governments across the world agreed that all children have the same rights by adopting the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). These rights are based on what a child needs to survive, grow, participate and fulfil their potential.

Cavendish pupils will learn about their rights by putting them into practice every day. A Rights Respecting School models rights and respect in all its relationships.



## Class Charters

This half term all classes have been working on their Rights Respecting Class Charters. The aim of the charters are to decide which rights from the UNCRC children and adults want to prioritise in their classrooms. All members of the classroom will agree to the charter whether they are rights holders (children) or duty - bearers (adults). The children then decided how to display the rights in their classrooms. In our October Newsletter, you will be able to see some of our finished charters!

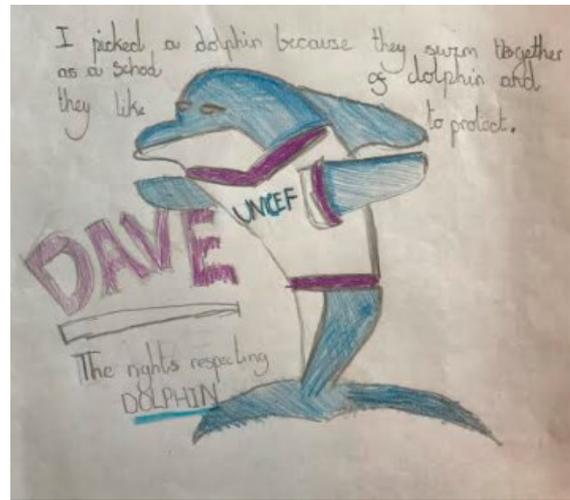
## Key dates – October 2018

Start of Black History Month	1st
International Day of Non-Violence	2nd
World Teachers Day	5th
World Mental Health Day	10th
International Disaster Reduction Day	13th
World Food Day	16th

## Mascot Competition

In the summer term, the RRS Steering Group held a competition to design a Rights Respecting Mascot for our school.

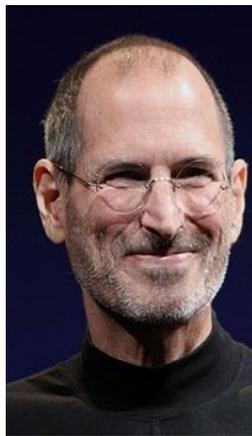
The winner was Isobel in 4HD who designed Dave the Dolphin.



## RRSA Assemblies

This half term, Mrs. Day gave an assembly about migration to Years 5 and 6. They found out about the benefits of migration and how refugees have brought amazing skills, creativity and inspiration to their new homes.

Did you know that Steve Jobs was born in Syria? Or that the co-founder of Marks & Spencer's was from Poland? Or even that Rita Ora is from Albanian descent and grew up in what is now known as Kosovo?



Isobel picked to design a dolphin because, 'they swim together as a school and like to protect each other'.

Mrs. Threlfall—Smith also gave an assembly about the UN International Day of Peace which took place on 21st September. Established in 1981 by unanimous United Nations resolution, Peace Day provides a globally shared date for all humanity to commit to Peace above all differences and to contribute to building a Culture of Peace. The children thought about how they could commit to peace at our school and discussed conflict resolution strategies.



## New Certificates!

We have introduced a new certificate for Rights Respecting Citizens at Cavendish. These have been awarded to children who have respected their own and other children's rights.

