

## Article of the Month...

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**JUNE**

Article 22

If a child is a **refugee** or is seeking refuge, governments must make sure that they have **the same rights as any other child**. Governments must help in trying to **reunite child refugees with their parents**.



Remember! Children are children—wherever they come from.

This month is the first time the Rights Ambassadors have chosen an article that has been a previous monthly focus. This is because we still feel that the rights of many refugee children **are being denied** and, therefore, needs highlighting.

As St Paschal Baylon have a campaign group – who are members of **UNICEF's Schools Campaign Network** – the team thought it would be a good idea to find out more about them, so Daniel Fenlon (Year 4) interviewed Mr Gowans, who leads the group. Here's what he had to say:



*"The group consist of eight, mostly Year 5, children who meet every Wednesday. We have been discussing how refugee children are often separated from their families because they are not allowed to join parents who have had to leave their own country. To make their voices heard, the children have written to the local MP in our area, and are producing an assembly to 'get the message out there' for World Refugee Day on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2017."*

Reporter: Daniel Fenlon—Year 4



Key words for June...

Tolerance

Respect

Justice

Safety

Freedom

Fairness

## SPB— A Rights, Respecting School...

The Rights Respecting Schools team (known as Rights Ambassadors) meet each Thursday lunch time. As well as pupil Ambassadors, there are also a number of adults (called Duty Bearers) on the team.

In addition, there are a number of other groups that meet to ensure that rights are being accessed. We thought you'd like to know more about them so, in this month's edition, we sent members out to conduct interviews.

Ollie Buckley interviewed our governor member, Mrs Kelly.



*I became a school governor in April 2015 after being invited to join the Governing Body at St Paschal Baylon by Father Grant and Miss Nolan, our Chair of Governors.*

*I joined the Rights Respecting Schools team when it was first established as Mrs Ashton requested a school governor to attend meetings and get involved—so I volunteered. I enjoy every aspect of it, especially attending the weekly meetings. I love to hear some of the fantastic ideas suggested by the children. It's amazing how quickly the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) has been integrated into school life and this is due to the dedication and hard work of Mrs Ashton, Mrs Maclean and the Rights Ambassadors who are really good at 'getting the message out there'.*

*I feel strongly about all of the rights in the CRC; however, if I needed to highlight any particular articles, it would have to be numbers 28 and 29: both of these concern the rights of children to receive an education. It's easy to forget that in some countries, even now, children are being denied this right for many reasons; for example, they may be forced to work, trained to fight as soldiers, or perhaps simply because they are girls. Keep up the good work folks!*

Reporter—Ollie Buckley



Abbi Wigfield interviewed Year 5 School Councillor, Freya Jennings—Smith.



**When do you meet?**

We meet on Tuesday during lunch-time.

**How many School Councillors are there?**

Each class from Year 1 to Year 5 have one representative who is democratically elected in the first few weeks of the new school year. Year 6 have two elected councillors—they attend meetings in Liverpool Town Hall as we are members of Liverpool Schools Parliament. In total, therefore, there are fourteen School Councillors.

**Have you enjoyed representing your class on the School Council this year?**

Yes because I like listening to people's ideas and seeing if we can make them a reality.

**What ideas have been put forward?**

There have been quite a few! Probably the most successful has been the introduction of the water chillers in the corridors. This encourages pupils to drink water—which is healthy!

Reporter—Abbi Wigfield



## World Environment Day...

SPB will hold an assembly to highlight **World Environment Day** which is on **5th June**. This time, the assembly will be led by Mr Cowan's **Eco Warrior** team, who can be seen daily emptying the paper bins around the school.

By providing the opportunity for you to be informed of this 'World Day', you are accessing **Article 29** which states that: **education should include the development of respect for the natural environment.**

Remember, we are **GLOBAL CITIZENS**, or '**people of the World**' as Lauren Birch (Year 5) put it. As such, we each have a duty to protect our planet for future generations.

## Calling all Parents...

On **July 4th 2017**, our school will be welcoming an assessor from UNICEF to see if we have embedded The Convention on the Rights of the Child into the heart of St Paschal Baylon.

If your child often comes home and informs you of World Days, Rights lessons and activities and clubs within school, or if you are an avid reader of this publication, then you could be of great help to us as we need parent representatives to be interviewed.

If you are able to offer your time on the morning of the assessment (or want to become a regular member of our team), please record your name, and the name of your child, on a piece of paper and hand it to your child's teacher.

We would be very grateful for your contribution and support.

## Calling the pupils of SPB...

Do you care about children around the World? Are you concerned that many children do not access their rights as set out in the Convention on the Rights of the Child? If this sounds like you, then the Rights Respecting Schools Team needs you!



Known as the **Rights Ambassadors**, we meet weekly to 'get the message out there'. We discuss current issues, decide on the 'Article of the Month', generate ideas for this newsletter - and for the competitions contained within it.

Do you think you'd like to be a part of this? If so, please give your name in to Mrs Ashton, or pop along to the next meeting (Thursday lunch times at 12.30).



**DAY FOR CHANGE**  
LEARN AND FUNDRAISE AT SCHOOL

This month, Our School Councillors will be waving collection buckets in order to raise money for UNICEF's **Day for Change** fundraising challenge. Every pound that we raise will be matched by The Power of Nutrition (a charitable foundation) so our fundraising will go even further in helping children **beat hunger and malnutrition**.



# Competition Time!

Look at the pictures to the right. Each one is a current member of our school staff (when they were a lot younger!).

Name the adult each child grew up to be.

**Answers** must be recorded on the entry slip at the bottom of the page and posted in the gold competition box (by the Rights board) in the dining area.

Correct entries will be put into a draw.

The winning entry will win a certificate and a mini Ruby Rights.

*Good luck everyone!*



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3



Picture 4



Picture 5



Picture 6

## Winner of last month's competition!

Congratulations goes to **Charley Quinn** (Year 2), whose fantastic jungle design was chosen as the Zoo Roller! A big 'thank you' also goes to all the other entries—they were amazing!



Well done,  
Charley!



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## June Competition entry form

Name/ Class

Picture 1

Picture 2

Picture 3

Picture 4

Picture 5

Picture 6