

RESPECT

Write the word 'respect' on the board. It's a word we use all the time but here we really try and get at what it means. A simple definition might be 'due regard for the feelings, wishes, or rights of others.' Ask pupils to come up with some examples of respect and what it might mean in terms of teaching and learning. Examples could include respect the person talking, respect others' opinions, respect their right to pass.

Openness

We will be open and honest, but not discuss directly our own or others' personal lives. We will discuss general situations as examples but will not use names or descriptions which could identify anyone. We will not put anyone 'on the spot'.

Keep the conversation in the room

We will keep the conversation within the room and we know that our teacher will not repeat what is said in the classroom unless they are concerned someone is at risk, in which case they will follow the school's safeguarding policy.

We don't judge

It is okay for us to disagree with another person's point of view but we will not judge anyone, make fun of anyone, or put anyone down. We will 'challenge the opinion not the person'.

Right to pass

Taking part is important. However, we have the right to pass on answering a question or participating in an activity.

Make no assumptions

We will not make assumptions about people's values, attitudes, behaviours, life experiences or feelings.

Listen to others

We will listen to the other person's point of view and expect to be listened to.

Use of language

We will not use abusive language to members of the group or staff, nor will we use threatening language. We will use the correct terms for the things we will be discussing rather than the slang terms, as they can be offensive. If we are not sure what the correct term is we will ask our teacher.

Ask questions



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We know that no question is a stupid question. We will not ask questions that deliberately seek to embarrass anyone else. There is a question box for anonymous questions.

Seeking help and advice

If we need further help or advice, we know how and where to seek it confidentially, both in school and in the community. We will encourage friends to seek help if we think they need it.



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