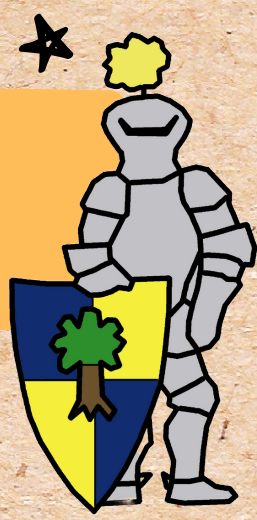


Respect



Why is it important?

The word respect originally comes from “respectus” which means “attention”, consideration, or regard. When we value and appreciate someone else, even if we don’t always agree with or approve of everything they say or do, that’s what we call respect.

We want the children at Knightwood to understand that respect is about treating others as you would like to be treated.

We know that having respectful relationships builds feelings of trust, safety, and wellbeing.

Self-respect is also very important - it means accepting yourself as you are. It’s not about being perfect - it’s about knowing that you’re deserving of respect simply for being you.

What sort of targets will Knightwood children be working on?



As always the targets will be matched to the development stage of the children, but may include things like:

- I accept that everyone is different
- I can wait for my turn
- I am respectful to the environment
- I can treat others as I would like to be treated

How can parents help at home?

Here are some ideas for you to try at home to help your child be respectful:

- Family reward system for showing kindness at home.
- Comment and question the emotions of characters whilst reading books together.
- Use timers or music to signal tidy up time.
- Label toy boxes so children know where to put their toys when they have finished.
- Have photos up at home showing things that different members of the family enjoy and are good at.
- Praise Respectful Behaviour: When children demonstrate good manners and respect to others, give specific praise for the positive choices they are making.
- ‘Check-in’ with your own language and behaviour to ensure that it isn’t prejudiced or derogatory.

