

Accepting other people's differences



Freedom to be...

Freedom gives us the power or right to act, speak, or think as we want to. It allows us to be individuals and to be who we want to be!

*Parent/Carer Notes:
Discuss with your child what they think this might mean*

Diversity

When we have freedom to live and be who we want to be, it results in an interesting mix of people.

The practice or quality of including or involving people from a range of backgrounds.

Diversity is about what makes each of us unique and includes our backgrounds, personality, life experiences and beliefs, all of the things that make us who we are.



Respecting Difference

With freedom and diversity comes a need to respect and accept individual differences.

Do you want to live in a world where we can be who we want to be, listen to the music we like, eat the foods we enjoy, dress how we like to dress etc?

Then we must remember that the person next to us has the freedom and right to do the same.

And they are likely to be different...

Parent/Carer Notes:

Discuss with your child the meaning of the word 'freedom'. What can they remember? What does it mean to be free?

What Does Respect Really Mean?



- ▶ Accepting someone's feelings, wishes, or rights

give

- ▶ Valuing others opinions/beliefs/culture/looks

respect

- ▶ 'Treat others how you wish to be treated'

- ▶ You don't have to agree with something or someone to be respectful and accepting

get

respect

Parent/Carer Notes:

Discuss with your child that it is important to respect everyone no matter their status or background. Talk about how it feels when they feel disrespected and why



What's Important?

- ▶ Think about the people you really love or admire in your life
- ▶ Why?
- ▶ I can guarantee it's got very little to do with how they look...
 - Character - integrity and excellence
 - Other values
 - Service (things they may have done for you)

*Parent/Carer Notes:
Discuss with your child the importance of how they act. People remember kindness. People remember how you made them feel.*



An Accepting and Respectful Culture

- ▶ We strive to create this environment, but we need your help!
- ▶ What does this look like?
- ▶ Why is this important?

*Parent / Carer Notes:
Discuss with your child what they think the world would look like if everyone acted respectfully. Ask you child what little things they could do to make this happen.*