

Rights Respecting School Award

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Article Focus:

Article 27 (right to an adequate standard of living) - Every child has the right to a standard of living that is good enough to meet their physical and social needs and support their development. Governments must help families who cannot afford to provide this.

Article 13 (freedom of expression) - Every child must be free to express their thoughts and opinions and to access all kinds of information, as long as it is within the law.

This week, the school held their Harvest Festival where donations were collected for local food bank Pilsdon a Christian-based community which seeks to provide an environment where people can rebuild their lives after experiencing a crisis, whether sudden or progressive. They offer a safe home for those working through depression, alcoholism, addiction, divorce or bereavement and also welcome people who wish to find time to reflect on their lives before making a change in direction or just want time out to live as part of a Community.

The children presented songs, stories and poems surrounding a number of topics including:

- The meaning of harvest
- The Parable of the Sower
- Harvest songs
- The story of the little red hen

The service was based around our topic of sustainability, with classes discussing key concepts such as 'reduce, reuse, recycle', how to be sustainable and the importance of caring for the world.

Also, this week, some children from Year 6 attended a debate with the Mayor of Tonbridge and Malling. The children discussed varied topical questions: 'should we be concerned about air pollution?' and 'should school days be longer with no homework?'

The children were fantastic at getting involved in the debate and were excellent ambassadors for our school.

