

Special Mission

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This is a lesson / activity plan for pupils who will be accessing the easy read online survey designed to feed into our special mission Beth Nawr | What Now.

We suggest this be run with pupils before undertaking the online easy read survey.

This activity should take 10 minutes.

What you need

- Picture of Sally Holland (Children's Commissioner)
- Poster of Children's Rights (UNCRC)

Aims

1. Children learn what children's rights are under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) "things you need to grow up happy, healthy and safe"
2. Children think about wants v needs (rights)
3. Children hear about who Sally Holland (Children's Commissioner for Wales) is
"Sally Holland is an adult in Wales whose job is to help all children in Wales be happy, healthy and safe"

Activity 1 (5 minutes) What are Children's Rights?

Explain to children that you are going to talk about things they want and things they need and you are going to do an activity to see if they can tell the difference.

Explain to the pupils you will read something out and they have to call out WANT or NEED (or you can set up wants v needs end of room for pupils to move to the answer of their choice)- Is this a thing you want or need? Do an example first – do we need someone to look after us??? YES!!! Do we need chocolate to grow up happy, healthy and safe? NO!!

Lead the activity, choosing 3-4 items from the list of needs and 3-4 from the list of wants - you can also add your own 'wants'. Mix them up so children think a little about their answer.

Needs:

- Someone to look after you
- Some healthy food to eat

- Someone to keep you safe
- Somebody to be your friend
- Somewhere to play
- A home to live in
- Someone to listen to you

Wants:

- Chocolate every morning for breakfast
- A house with a swimming pool
- An iPad
- A pet
- Presents for your birthday
- A television

Explain there are some things we want and some things we need. The things we **need** in order to grow up happy, healthy and safe are called RIGHTS – Show the UNCRC poster and explain that ALL CHILDREN across the world aged 0-18 have all these 42 rights (called Articles).

Activity 2 (10 minutes) Who Sally is and how she can help you?

Explain that all adults must make sure children get what they need (their rights) to grow up happy, healthy and safe. (this links to wants v needs)

1. Show children a picture of Sally Holland from the poster and explain her role is to help children in Wales grow up happy healthy and safe.

She would like to know your ideas on *what you need to grow up happy, healthy and safe*.

Ask pupils

1. "WHAT do children need to be happy, healthy and safe?", draw ideas on the **inside** of the gingerbread person, images or words. Ask children/young people to share their ideas (3 mins)
2. Then ask the children "WHO helps keep children happy, healthy and safe?", draw or write ideas on the **outside** of the gingerbread template. Ask children to share their ideas (3 mins)
3. Sally Holland is also there to listen to children and she wants to know your ideas to help her do her job well and she has a survey for you to complete.

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