

What is Responsibility?

We have a few ways that we talk about responsibility.

There is being responsible, taking responsibility, acting responsibly and having responsibilities.

They are all related to doing the things we are supposed to do and accepting the positive or negative outcome of our actions.

A quick definition for responsibility is: Being responsible means you do the things you are expected to do and accept the consequences (results) of your actions.

At our school, we encourage children to take responsibility for their words and actions, and to treat others as they would want to be treated.

It is our responsibility to make choices that allow us to be the best versions of ourselves that we can be.

What is a Responsibility?

A responsibility is something that you are expected to do. It might be a task that you are expected to do (for example, brushing your teeth or walking the dog).

A responsibility may also be a way you are expected to act. For example, if you are playing in the playground, you are expected to play in a safe and courteous way that will not hurt yourself or others.



Help your child to take responsibility at home by:

- Encouraging them to carry their own book bag, rucksack and coat.
- Sorting the recycling before collection day.
- Looking after a pet.
- Encouraging them to do their reading and homework.



Stories to promote responsibility:

Bible Stories: The Good Shepherd, The story of Zaccheaus, The Parable of the Two Sons, The story of Creation, The story of Saul, The Parable of the Talents,

Children's picture books: What if Everybody did that? By Ellen Javernick, I Just Forgot by Mercer Mayer, Llama Llama by Anna Dewdney, The Paperboy by Dave Pilkey, The Big Umbrella by Amy Bates, It's not my fault by Julia Cook



We are helping in school by:

- Exploring the value of responsibility through our school worship.
- Discussing responsible behaviours for learning and play.
- Giving opportunities to take responsibility through pupil leadership roles and monitors.
- Rewarding responsible behaviours through rewards and certificates.