

Leader: As we gather together

ALL: ...we bring our hearts.



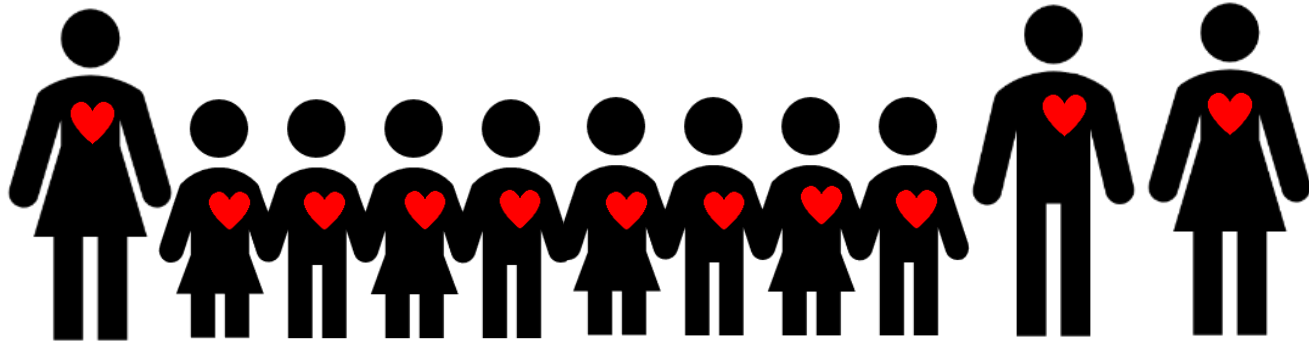
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ALL: ...we share our thoughts.



Leader: As community together

ALL: ...we serve one another.





WHY DO WE NEED RULES ?

Who Makes Rules?



Our parents



Our teachers



Us



Organisations



The government

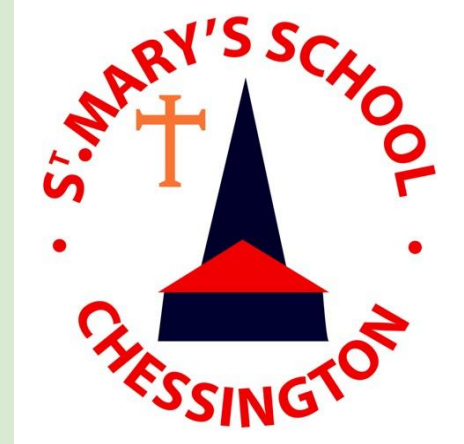
Which rules do you follow and why are they important to you?



Is there one rule that everyone should follow?

What shared goals do we have as a school community?

- Feeling happy
- Feeling safe
- Being the best learners we can be
- Anything else?



If there were no rules would we reach our goals?



What does the Bible teach us about how we should treat one another in our school community?

Can you think of examples of how this might look in action?



What is your 'golden rule' and what difference does it make to the way you live your life?

Are 'Golden Rules' all the same?
Does it make a difference that some people think the Golden Rule comes from God?



St Mary's Rules

All children in our school interact with many different adults during their day. Adults in our school think it is very important that all the adults have the same expectations and that we are consistent in our approach. For this reason we have developed 3 rules that all adults will remind children of:

Ready, Respectful, Safe

That's How We Do It Here!



READY

Ready



Respectful



Safe

THE NEW YORK TIMES

1. **'Ready' - Ready is the right time, right place and the right attitude.** Readiness for all things including being ready for learning, ready to listen, ready to go to lunch etc.
2. **'Respectful' - Respectful is caring for ourselves, other people and our environment.** When people are respectful, they are showing respect to their peers, to adults, to their environment, to themselves.
3. **'Safe' - Safe is taking actions that look after myself and others.** Being safe at school leads to everyone feeling safe in the learning environment, safe with the people around them and safe in the activities in which they are taking part in.

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What happens when we follow rules?

When everyone works together in a community;

- **We feel happy, safe and valued.**
- **We can all reach our shared goals.**
- **We can all be the best version of ourselves that we can be.**
- **We can all fulfil our potential.**

Some people may say that it's in our nature to do good to others. After all, there has been a “random act of kindness” movement for a long time. But, in general, most people only help other people when:

1. It's their friend or family.
2. It's convenient for them.
3. They're in a good mood, or
4. They expect something in return.

But the Bible doesn't say do random acts of kindness when you're feeling good. It says to love others at all times. It even says love your enemies as well as those that persecute you. If you are kind only to your friends, how are you any different from anyone else. Everybody does that ([Matthew 5:47](#)). Loving everyone at all times is a much tougher task to accomplish



I wonder...

How will you show adults and children you are ready for learning?

What respectful words might you use today?

How can you help to keep yourself and others safe?



Together we can do
great things.

Mother Teresa

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Dear God,

Thank you for the rules that we have at school that help to keep us safe.

Thank you for our school rules that help to create a positive learning environment and lasting friendships.

Please help us to learn from our mistakes.

Please help us to be willing to say sorry.

Amen.





Leader: As we leave this place & time and go into the day ahead.

All: May we serve one another in our thoughts and words and actions.

