

Home Room week 20 January



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Tuesday

Learning intentions:

- To learn about Human Rights and Sanitation
- To focus on the improvement of our toilets
- To raise pupil awareness of the work of the Pupil Council in this area

Success Criteria:

- Pupils will be more aware of the benefits and importance of sanitation and hopefully be more aware of the privileges they enjoy having access to sanitation living in 21 Century Scotland.
- Pupils will demonstrate an understanding of Human Rights



The Pupil Voice feedback from Home Rooms on Caring Community and Pupil Council meetings have been dominated by one theme...

TOILETS!



This is the official start of:

TOILET WEEK!

- **There have been a number of priorities identified for improving the toilets and the Pupil Council have been given some cash by Mr Lothian to improve the situation.**
- **This led us in the Pupil Council Executive (those who were there!) to turn our thoughts to sanitation and human rights.**
- **Access to water and sanitation are basic human rights. What does sanitation mean?**
- **Sanitation is the hygienic means of promoting health through prevention of human contact with the hazards of waste. In other words toilets, the appropriate treatment of human waste and access to fresh, clean water.**



Task: Watch the following video clips:

http://youtu.be/Cf09XUNh_H4 2 minutes

<http://youtu.be/-T2eH7zrDJg> 1 minute 30s



Activity: Wants and Needs

1. Name as many luxury items as you can think of
2. Luxuries are nice things we might 'want' but do we 'need' them?
3. In your group sort the cards into 'wants' and 'needs'
4. As a class go through the cards and discuss any differences of opinion

What are Human Rights?

<http://youtu.be/oh3BbLk5UIQ> 9 minutes



Are toilets a problem in the UK?

Task:

Discuss:

1. Can you think of an occasion when access to a toilet was an issue. How did you feel about this?
2. The issues in the UK are not the same as for developing countries however what are some of the problems we face?
3. Look at the UNCRC. How many rights relate to water, hygiene, health and sanitation?



In your Learning Journal copy these facts:

Toilet Week

- 2.5 billion people do not have somewhere safe, private or hygienic to go to the toilet
- 2,000 children die EVERY DAY from diseases linked to poor sanitation
- 748 million people in the world don't have access to safe water



Messages of Toilet Week

- Initially you may think it funny to focus on this issue but globally it is a serious and important matter
- The Perth Academy Pupil Council are committed to improving the standards of toilets in Perth Academy to ensure every young person has access to a safe and clean toilet
- Let's not forget how fortunate we are in having clean water and toilets and the ability to change things for ourselves