

Responsibility



During the month of September we are developing the character trait 'responsibility'. In our lives we need to show responsibility for and with others. This may be at home, school, the community, work place and indeed our church. We all have the capacity to be responsible, and we often look to the example of others who have shown responsibility. At the beginning of the school year we focus our attention on the new relationships that our children will make with their new teacher and peers. At Ballyclare Primary School we want to nourish this relationship and allow it to flourish. We value very much your support at home, and invite you to discuss some of the following issues or points with your child:

- Looking after those who are responsible for us
- Why do we need to show responsibility in school or at home?
- What values does a responsible person show?
- Discuss practical ways of being responsible every day and becoming more responsible in school
- Responsibility for others such as – taking care of work, responsible for hanging up own coat etc.
- Responsibility at home – being responsible for siblings, responsible for tidying up etc.



How can we be responsible? – Some helpful tips

At Home

- Eating all my dinner and washing the dishes
- Helping an adult at home
- Tidying my bedroom – making the bed
- Learning to get dressed without help
- Doing homework when I get home from school
- Looking after clothes and belongings
- Caring for all at home.



In the Community

- Helping others when they are hurt or finding parents to help
- Looking after street by picking up the litter
- Don't chalk/write on people's property
- Learning to cross the road safely
- Learning to look after younger brothers/sisters while at play in the street
- Telling parents when someone is being bullied.



In School

- Completing work on time
- Presenting work as requested by the teacher
- Following class rules and listening to others
- Being friendly towards others in class and in the playground
- Telling teacher or supervisor if we are concerned about something
- Looking after school property.

