

## Kinneil Nursery Introduces the UNCRC



*Parents discussing Needs and Wants at the workshop.*

Evelyn Anderson, Senior Early Years Officer at Kinneil Primary School, recently introduced some nursery children to the UNCRC. Evelyn, who has been promoting Global Citizenship in the nursery, introduced the concept of children's rights through the UNICEF resource First Steps to Rights. She worked with a mixed group of eleven children over four sessions. She used a feely bag in session 1 containing objects that represented basic survival needs. Session 2, Pack-a-bag, focused on the difference between wants and needs. Session 3 focused on 'Fond Families' and session 4, 'My Home/Your Home' provided opportunities for the children to talk about different homes around the world. The children were very interested and enthusiastic and this was shared with parents and carers at a Parent Workshop. The parents were interested in hearing about the UNCRC and in reading the documented conversations that their children had taken part in.



## First Steps to Rights

Children were invited to offer suggestions of what we need to stay alive, keep us healthy and grow up.

Leon - "You have to eat."

Callum - "You can eat pizza."

John - "Do exercises."

Claire - "You have to sleep."

Allana - "You need to drink."

Kathryn - "You have to wash your hair."

Caitlyn - "Sleep."

It was explained that we were going to pass round a feely bag and children were to guess what it was (something that we need to stay alive, be healthy and grow up).

### Tin

John - "Food."

Allana - "Tuna."

Leon - "Beans."

Kathryn - "It's a tin."

Callum - "A big box."

John - "You only get boxes when you go to heaven."

Adult - "We do get boxes when we go to heaven, but we get boxes for all sorts of things."

John - "Aye - food."

House

Description given - most guessed



Parents were invited to take part in a mind-mapping exercise which will be shared with the children.