Marriage, Civil Partnership & Equality in Year 3

A Child-Friendly Guide for Park View Primary School

What are Protected Characteristics?
Year 3 pupils at **Park View Primary School** have been learning about the protected characteristic of **marriage and civil partnership**. This means that everyone should be treated fairly and equally, whether they are married, in a civil partnership, or not.

Why We Treat Everyone Equally (In the Children's Words)

In class, Year 3 discussed why equal treatment is so important. Here are the top points shared by the children:

- **Not all families look the same:** Every family structure is unique and special.
- **Inclusion for everyone:** We want every single person in our school community to feel included.
- **Personal choice:** Everyone has the right to choose whether or not they want to share their life with someone.
- **Following the law:** Treating people equally is the law, and we must always follow the rules of our country.

How We Put Equality into Action at Park View Primary School

At Park View Primary School, we turn these values into everyday kindness and respect through our actions:

- **Talking to Everyone with Respect:** We treat everyone equally and speak with respect, whether or not someone is married or in a civil partnership.
- **Speaking Kindly to Adults:** We talk to all adults in school with kindness, regardless of their marital or civil partnership status.
- **Respectful School Community:** Our teachers and staff talk to parents with kindness and respect, whether or not they are married or in a civil partnership.

Our Park View Primary School Promise:
By listening to each other, celebrating diverse families, and treating every adult and child with kindness, we make Park View Primary School a welcoming place for everyone!