

St. Patrick's Boys' National School

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Whole School Approach to Behaviour 'Positive Behaviour for Learning'



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Dear Parents,

To compliment our Code of Behaviour we use a support system called Positive Behaviour for Learning, or PBL. It has been designed to meet the needs of our school, in keeping with our ethos, and in consultation with all teaching staff. PBL is about recognising and rewarding the good behaviour the children display in a consistent and fair manner. We have been piloting this new positive approach to behaviour management since 2015, and have reviewed and evaluated it annually since then.

Since our return to school, the boys have been taught the PBL and behavioural expectations linked to it. Please see the rules matrix below. Most of our children behave very well at all times. Under PBL, children who behave well retain 2 stars or football points every day. For junior classes these stars are marked on Star Cards that go home every week. For senior classes these points are filled in on a monthly letter to parents.

The PBL also affords the child opportunities to self assess his behaviour and its impact on his own and others' learning. If the child is having difficulty in behaving as taught and prescribed by the PBL he is reminded to use strategies that will help him achieve behavioural expectations e.g. eyes on the speaker to be an active listener who is ready to learn. The children are encouraged to make good choices. If the child does not make a good choice there is a verbal warning with no consequence. On the second warning he loses a star / point and on the 3rd he loses his second star / point and does his work in another part of the classroom for 10 minutes. On the 4th he goes to another classroom with a behaviour reflection sheet helping him to return to his class ready to make good choices after 10 minutes. If your child reaches stage 4 you will get a letter to notify you. On the back of this letter the area of the PBL which your child is having difficulty with will be high-lighted. It is vital that you support your child and chat to him about his behaviour, and discuss how he can make better choices in the future. If a pupil between 2nd class and 6th class receives a 5th warning in a day he will have lunchtime detention, and a letter will be sent home to you. Again, it is key at this stage, as partners in your child's learning, that you talk to your child about his behaviour, and discuss the choices he can make to help him achieve Positive Behaviour for Learning.

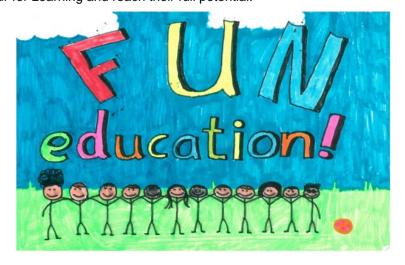
We are looking forward to continue working with you putting the emphasis on positive behaviour and enabling all children to achieve Positive Behaviour for Learning and reach their full potential.

Kind Regards,

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PBL Coordinator





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We are Ready to Learn Támuid réidh le foghlaim	We Are Gentle Támuid séimh	We are Caring and Respectful Táispeanann muid meas agus cinéaltas
 Be a good listener Manage impulsivity - Stop, Think, Do! Make good choices Always do your best Dean iarracht an teanga a chleachtadh 	 Speak and act with kindness Remind others to follow school rules Safe and caring hands Only including, no excluding Caith le daoine eile mar ba mhian leat go gcaithfeadh said leatsa 	 Care for belongings and property Care for your appearance Be honest Show others respect Use SALT strategies when resolving conflict Be friendly Tabhair aire duit féin agus dos na daoine i do chomhluadar



At St. Patrick's Boys' National School Ní neart go cur le Chéile.