DFL Policy

Our children’s chances of happiness and success in life depend considerably on their ability to make responsible choices. St. Oliver Plunkett School has developed a whole school approach to discipline which enables children to make the correct choice. This system of discipline known as Discipline for Learning or DFL recognises and rewards good behaviour.

This system has three components: Rules, Sanctions, Rewards.

Rules

1. Talk: Normal talk, quiet talk or no talk at all

There are times to use them all

1. Movement: Ask before you leave your place

Move through the school at a walking pace

1. Time: Be on time, be neat

With homework and uniform complete

1. Pupil/Adult: To be a winner in our school

Respect each other

That’s the rule

1. Pupil/Pupil: Speak kindly to others – be a friend

Ask to borrow - return at the end.

1. Yard: At break time, stay in the yard

Be fair, be safe, let all take part

Sanctions

1. Oral warning
2. Initials on blackboard
3. Consequence sheet
4. Following three consequence sheets – refer to Principal
5. Gross misbehaviour may result in step 1, 2, or 3 being omitted.

Rewards

* Each child has a stamp book
* Stamps are awarded for keeping the rules
* Children receive three rewards per stamp book
* Bronze, Silver and Gold certificates are awarded on completion of first three books
* A Special Achievement Certificate is awarded on completion of Book 4.