

Monday 23rd February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We're now, officially, halfway through the school year and we're having a little reset and reminder about our school rules, 'Ready, Respectful and Safe' and what that looks like in practice, particularly when moving around school and at break and lunchtimes.

We're launching our new Spring Challenge today, which will focus on manners, calm movement around school and helping children to feel relaxed and be respectful in shared spaces.

Over the next few weeks, children will be taking part in assemblies and class discussions about how we can make our corridors, lunch hall and communal areas calm, considerate and clutter-free. This includes walking sensibly indoors, showing good manners to others and taking pride in our school environment.

A particular focus will be on lunchtimes and transitions, where children will be encouraged to:

- Walk calmly whilst inside in single file on the left
- Use polite language such as greetings, pleases and thank yous
- Show consideration by allowing adults and others to pass through doors and corridors
- Take their time in the lunch hall, enjoying calm conversations and social time
- Look after shared spaces by leaving tables and floors tidy

To support this, we will be introducing two simple systems:

- **Positive Points:** which children can earn for demonstrating excellent manners and considerate behaviour during non-classroom times. The class with the most points at the end of the week will be given the Positive Points Award which includes an extra play!
- **Practice Makes Perfect:** which supports children who need extra help at break or lunchtimes to practise expectations with an adult

The aim of this challenge is not to rush children or make school feel restrictive but to create a calmer, happier environment where everyone feels safe, respected and ready to learn.

We would really appreciate your support at home by talking with your child about:

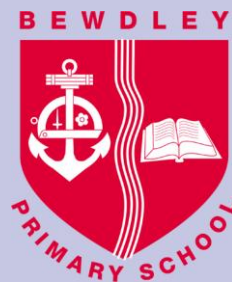
- Using polite language
- Moving calmly indoors
- Showing respect for adults and other children

There were a few teething problems today but no doubt we'll iron those out before the end of the week! Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We are looking forward to seeing the positive impact this challenge will have across the school.

Yours sincerely,



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