

September 2022

In the first week of the new school year, the previous year's School Council Representatives met with Mrs Baron to discuss the re-design of our 'Be Your Best' behaviour policy. Mrs Baron wanted to hear the children's voice on changing the wording of one of our school rules. The School Council representatives took the suggestion back to their classes and it was agreed unanimously that the 4th school rule would change to 'Be your best' which then also formed the new name for our behaviour policy.



Our School Rules

At St. Peter's our school rules are based on our mission to follow in Jesus' footsteps. Jesus is our teacher and role model and we strive to be the like Him in all that we say (our words) and do (our actions).

At St Peter's, we always try to BE OUR BEST by making the right choices and following our 4 school rules:

School Rule	Examples of good behaviour choices
Be safe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⊗ Behave in an orderly and self-controlled way ⊗ Walk quietly around the school and hold on to the hand rail when walking up or down the stairs (one stair at a time) ⊗ Talk to your 'trusted adult' if you have a worry ⊗ Make sure you have a healthy lifestyle to support your mental and physical wellbeing (5 ways to wellbeing) ⊗ Follow adult instructions ⊗ Online
Be respectful	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⊗ Show respect to each other and all adults through positive words and actions – <i>Speak with love, Listen with love and Act with love</i> ⊗ Treat the school building and school property with respect
Be ready to learn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⊗ In class, make it possible for other pupils to learn ⊗ Follow the class 'Successful Learners' strategies ⊗ Have your resources ready e.g. ruler, pencil, pen, whiteboard, marker and rubber etc... ⊗ Wear the correct uniform at all times
Be your best	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⊗ Have a 'growth mindset' – You CAN do it! ⊗ Engage positively with agreed solutions to restore relationships ⊗ There is 'only one you' so show pride in all you say and do ⊗ Refrain from behaving in a way that brings the school into disrepute, including when outside school

Each class elected their new School Council representatives and the new members met with Mrs McGuinness. We discussed their role as School Council representatives, how they will be known to all in our school family and will be actively involved in planning, leading and evaluating initiatives to make our school a better place in which to live, love and learn.

Mr Dowling asked the School Council to talk to their classes about what improvements they would like to see in OPAL, with particular focus on creating 'nice' seating areas. The School Council representatives were tasked with going back to class and discussing this and any additional areas they would like to improve in our school ready to bring their suggestions to the next meeting.

October 2022

The School Council badges arrived and were presented to the School Council representatives during Celebration Assembly. The children were thrilled to receive their gold shield badges and take great pride in wearing them to school every day.

November 2022

School council met at the start of November and fed back on class suggestions for improving OPAL play seating areas. There were lots of fantastic ideas to pass on to Mr Dowling and we look forward to seeing these improvements. We were also asked by Mrs Pollard to choose a charity to support with the money raised from our Odd Socks Day that took place on 18th November as a part of Anti bullying week (14th-18th November). We looked at lots of different charities and voted for Kidscape, a charity that provides practical support, training, and advice to challenge bullying and protect young lives so that all children to grow up in supportive communities safe from bullying and harm.