



## Creating a positive attendance culture

Interact with students in a calm and respectful tone.

I'm really happy  
to see you at  
school today!

Every day we're here  
together, we learn  
new things and make  
new connections.

Good morning \_\_\_\_ . Great  
job bringing your things.  
Stand here for a moment  
until I tell everyone what to  
do next.

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# Chatting with a student after absence

Keep communication positive and support students as they reconnect.

Welcome back \_\_\_\_! We're happy you're here today - we missed you! Let's start our numeracy lesson so you can join your friends at recess.

Morning \_\_\_\_\_. We've started. Would you like a buddy to show you the steps?

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# Acknowledging positive behaviour

Frequently acknowledge students meeting expectations.



\_\_\_\_\_ great job asking  
\_\_\_\_\_ to help you with  
what you missed. That  
was really responsible.

Nice work settling  
back into the task  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Smile, face the student,  
or gesture if verbal  
acknowledgement isn't  
possible.

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# Calm redirection and entry routines

Use clear, calm instructions and begin with least-disruptive responses.

\_\_\_\_\_ this is our  
quiet work time.  
Thank you for settling.

Nice job  
getting ready  
to learn.

If a student is  
struggling to find an  
appropriate seat as they  
enter, gesture to the  
correct place or pull out a  
chair with a smile.

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## Knowing students and building belonging

Use students' preferred names and invite feedback about routines and practices.

I notice your friends call you both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Which one would you like me to say?

Thanks for telling me the name you prefer. If I talk to other teachers or your grown up, which name should I use?

I want our class to feel welcoming, safe and calm. What do you like about the way we start and pack up?

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