

Positive Reinforcement Prompts

Concept to Praise	Example Phrases that Praise Effort and Action
Praising Hard Work and Effort	"I am proud of the hard work you put into this."
Recognising Positive Achievements/Improvements	"That was an exceptional piece of homework." "I see that you met that target. Your dedication to practising paid off."
Acknowledging Positive Behaviour/Good Deeds	"Thank you for performing that good deed. I am proud of you." "I noticed things have improved in how you approached that task today; keep that up."
Recognising Quality of Work	"This is a good piece of work. Tell me about how you planned it out."

Actions that Build Rapport



A Private Word:

Offer quiet, specific praise to a student. This is often more powerful than public praise.

The Positive Note:

Leave a short, handwritten note on a student's desk acknowledging a good deed or a moment of hard work.



The "Good News" Call Home:

Contact a parent or carer to share a positive story about their child. This builds a strong home-school partnership..

A Moment of Connection:

Take 30 seconds at the end of a lesson to thank a student for a specific contribution or positive action.



Highlight a "Star":

Acknowledge a student's positive behaviour as an example for the whole class, explaining why their action was so helpful.