

At Wicklow Educate Together, we are a “Bí Cineálta” (Be Kind) school.

We promise to make our school a safe, friendly, and happy place where everyone feels they belong, regardless of their appearance, gender, race, background, or abilities.

What Is Bullying?

Bullying is when someone is mean, hurtful or unfair on purpose more than once. We have learnt in our Stay Safe lessons that bullying is deliberate, hurtful and repeated.

Direct bullying:

- Hitting or pushing
- Name-calling
- Taking or damaging belongings

Indirect bullying:

- Leaving people out
- Spreading rumours
- Making someone feel lonely or excluded

Online bullying:

- Being unkind using phones, games, or the internet
- Sharing secrets, photos, or messages to embarrass someone

Our “Telling” Culture

At Wicklow Educate Together, we encourage everyone to be a buddy, not a bully.

If bullying happens to you, or you see it happening to someone else:

Telling is not snitching - it is helping.

Speaking up helps keep everyone safe.

How to Get Help

You can talk to:

- Your class teacher
- The school principal
- Any staff member you trust

- Your parent or guardian

What Will Happen Next?

We use a restorative approach, which means:

- We will listen carefully to you.
- We will make sure you feel safe.
- We will talk with everyone involved to understand what happened.
- We will work together to repair friendships and make things right.

Keeping the Message Visible

One of the ways we remind everyone about kindness and respect is through our Bí Cineálta posters, created by the children and displayed throughout the school. These help keep our message of kindness visible every day.

Our Anti-Bullying Rules

- We use kind words and actions.
- We include everyone.
- We respect differences.
- We stay safe and kind online.