# Respect all learners

Students need to feel safe in order to focus on their learning.

Also, learning itself needs to be respected.

# Stay on Task

There are numerous distractions in an ICT classroom and it’s all too easy for students to lose time in lessons with their minds elsewhere. Students should be reminded of this rule whenever they chat, go on YouTube or move around the classroom.

# No Opt Out

If students are given the option to choose not to work, many will stop working, get bored and might become disruptive. Getting stuck is part of learning and students need to learn how to work past their frustrations is one of the most valuable lessons to learn in school.

This rule should also be used if a student says “I don’t know” to a question. The student might be genuinely ignorant of the answer to the question. This needs to be followed with the question “How are you going to find out the answer?” See “Teach like a Champion” by Doug Lemov for more on this technique.