

Make daily connections

Feelings of belonging and being valued are at the heart of learning and behaviour. What you think, say and do matters because each interaction contributes to whanaungatanga and trust.

- Connect to welcome students into the class.
- Connect, chat and show you care. For example, open a conversation about known interests, whānau, important people, role models.
- Connect and value culture. For example, open a conversation with te reo or aspects of ākonga pepeha, or incorporate tikanga, cultural contexts and whakapapa.
- Connect and listen. Show that you respect their opinions and voice.
- Connect with no agenda to deepen the relationship.
- Connect and be flexible. Allow for different approaches and ways of being.

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