Understand the principal's role

The principal is responsible for building teachers' skills, expertise, and confidence by:

- giving teachers release time to connect with others and build their knowledge
- connecting teachers with in-school supports, including other teachers who know the student well or have experience of working with a student with similar needs
- connecting teachers with outside agencies and experienced external colleagues and encouraging them to work in partnership with these people
- connecting teachers with parents – they are the experts on their child
- forming clusters with other schools to facilitate staff training and development
- supporting collective responsibility for all students in your school
- supporting teachers to share classroom practices, learn from each other, and problem-solve together.

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