

Wise words on Working with students



Each year, in the *Teacher* survey, we ask our readers to share one piece of advice they'd give to a fellow educator. Here, we share some responses from our 2020 survey on the topic of working collaboratively with students.

'Listen to and learn from your students. Understand their unique story and use it as a foundation upon which to build transformational learning experiences.'

'Don't take student behaviour personally, look at it as a chance to learn how to do things different - both for you as a teacher and the student.'



'Learn continuously - from research, from your peers and most importantly, from students.'

'Focus on student wellbeing and connection first, students won't learn well if that is not a priority.'

'If students do something wrong, it is an opportunity for them to learn. It is also an opportunity for you to build a relationship with them. Invest your time in your students - get to know them beyond the classroom as the unique individuals they are. Always use their name and chat about non-school stuff once in a while. Enjoy your teaching!'



'Interact with your students as much as possible, in and out of the classroom. If they perceive you as a teammate who is actively supporting them, you have won 90 per cent of the battle.'

