Achieving a good 'mix'!

Teaching can often feel as if it's a constant juggle. From keeping up to date with marking, carrying out assessment with no levels, ensuring pupils are 'active learners' but not overactive, to planning sequences of lessons that are engaging yet purposeful, keeping up with the class can seem like a quagmire!

Top Tips!

- 1. Start planning/teaching lessons with the end in mind. This will help keep purpose clear with your pupils and ensure you remain focused.
- 2. Use children's prior knowledge. *This tip will provide opportunities to assess what children understand and what they need to learn about next to develop their understanding.*
- 3. Ensure your classroom is a stimulating environment that supports learning . *Displays should be used as reference points throughout learning and teaching.*
- 4. Make learning active! If children are being 'taught at', they will switch off and not learn.
- 5. Focus on learning. Use self assessment to achieve this. *If children own their learning and interact with it they will strive to succeed.*
- 6. Set high and clear expectations. *Children like to feel safe and have a clear understanding of what is needed. These are key for setting a positive tone of your classroom.*
- 7. Consistency is key. Ensure you are a stickler for routines and follow through with what you say. Children feel safe when this takes place and this helps build trust.
- 8. Get to know your children! *This may appear last on anyone's list of things to do but could save you valuable time later, builds trust and shows you care.*
- 9. Make effective feedback regular practice. *This works! It helps reinforce independent learning and helps children take more ownership of their learning.*
- 10. Smile! It's amazing how far the effect of one of these will go!

Remember to...
Be passionate about what you're teaching. If you love it it's likely your children will too.

Top Tips for effective Teaching & Learning

These tips should help you to achieve a good mix!



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