

# REBECCA EVEANS PEDAGOGICAL FRAMEWORK

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## Overarching statement

I aspire to be a teacher who **values their students and their unique qualities and contributions** they bring with them into the classroom and beyond, seeking to nurture students' physical, cognitive, and psychosocial development.

I believe it is through positive relationships, **creating a safe, welcoming learning environment** where they feel a sense of belonging, that students can feel excited about coming to school, engage socially with their peers, and **genuinely be interested in learning**.

I believe when students have a sense of control over their learning, combined with teachers who identify and are responsive to students' needs, optimal learning can be achieved.

My goal is to help students become confident, capable people who love learning, who care about those around them, who have the necessary skills to define and achieve personal success.

I want to make sure I'm doing things that are going to best benefit the children and in essence, be the teacher my students need me to be.

## Four key pillars



Attitude that values and accepts the unique qualities and attributes of students for positive teacher-student relationships



A safe classroom culture underpinned by positive relationships, inclusivity, and a celebration of diversity, fosters student growth



Explicitly taught behaviours and skills as a proactive approach to classroom and behaviour management



Learning is differentiated through meaningful experiences and teaching practices to ensure learning is accessible for every student





## Humanism learning theory

Rogers' theory of unconditional positive regard

Aligned professional expectation  
**Queensland College of Teachers Code of Ethics**  
Dignity and Care

Attitude that values and accepts the unique qualities and attributes of students for positive teacher-student relationships

- Nurturing teacher –student relationships based on empathy, acceptance, and genuineness
- Trust, respect, care
- Judgement free, shame free learning environment

### LEADS TO

- Positive influence on the student-wellbeing
- Builds self-esteem and self-efficacy
- Increases learning potential and intrinsic motivation

### How?

- Judgement free feedback and discipline
- Opportunities to share personal experiences for connection



## Humanism learning theory

Rogers' theory of unconditional positive regard and Maslow's hierarchy of needs


## Aligned professional expectation Student Learning and Wellbeing Framework

A safe classroom culture underpinned by positive relationships, inclusivity, and a celebration of diversity, fosters student growth

- Students are unable to take in new information if they do not feel physically and emotionally safe
- Physiological, safety, belonging, and esteem needs must be met for student growth

### How?

- Greeting circle morning routine
- Co-constructed classroom expectations



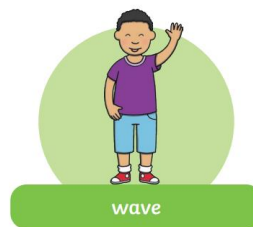
1 Creating safe, supportive and inclusive environments

Schools do this by:

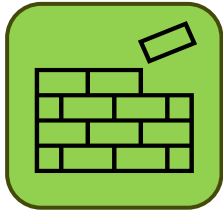
- providing safe environments where diversity is valued, positive social interactions are promoted, and risk of injury or harm is minimised
- developing an approach to wellbeing that supports the collective action of parents, support services and the wider community
- demonstrating and communicating positive respectful relationships between staff, students, parents and members of the community
- explicitly teaching and modelling social and emotional skills, values and expectations for behaviour to support student wellbeing
- making sure the physical environment and school policies and practices are accessible and inclusive of students and families
- planning for opportunities to promote and celebrate the traditions, values and cultures of the school community
- providing learning opportunities and environments that promote healthy lifestyle choices.

(Department of Education QLD, 2018)

### How would you like to say good morning today?



(Twinkl, n.d.)



# Constructivist learning theory

## Bruner's scaffolding theory

Aligned professional expectations  
**Australian Professional Standards for Teachers**  
 APST 4.2 Managing classrooms activities  
 APST 4.3 Managing challenging behaviour

Explicitly taught behaviours and skills as a proactive approach to classroom and behaviour management

- Co-constructed expectations based on the academic, emotional, and social needs of the students
- Expectations taught, displayed and reminded to redirect student behaviour
- Explicitly taught social and emotional skills including self-regulation strategies that meet students' needs
- Maintained classroom environment that stems from positive relationships and a positive classroom culture

"Behaviourally challenging kids are challenging because they're lacking the skills to not be challenging."  
 - Ross Greene (2014)

Supplementary Reproducible E for Elementary Ages

**ZONES OF REGULATION**

## The ZONES of Regulation

<b>Blue Zone</b> Sad Bored Tired Sick	<b>Green Zone</b> Happy Focused Calm Proud	<b>Yellow Zone</b> Worried Frustrated Silly Excited	<b>Red Zone</b> overjoyed/Elated Panicked Angry Terrified

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**When I feel too angry**

	take five deep breaths
	say how I feel in calm words
	have a drink of water
	go for a walk
	take a break in a quiet place
	use a fidget or calm down jar

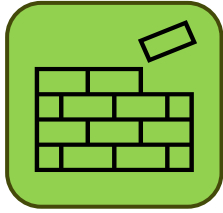
**When I feel too sad**

	take five deep breaths
	say how I feel in calm words
	take a break in a quiet place
	read or listen to a story
	cuddle a stuffed toy
	blow bubbles

**When I feel too worried**

	take five deep breaths
	say how I feel in calm words
	have a drink of water
	go for a walk
	take a break in a quiet place
	blow bubbles

(Twinkl, n.d.)



## Constructivist learning theory

Bruner's scaffolding theory

Learning is differentiated through meaningful experiences and teaching practices to ensure learning is accessible for every student

Aligned professional expectations  
**APST 1.5** differentiate teaching to meet specific needs of students across a full range of abilities  
**Inclusive Education Policy**

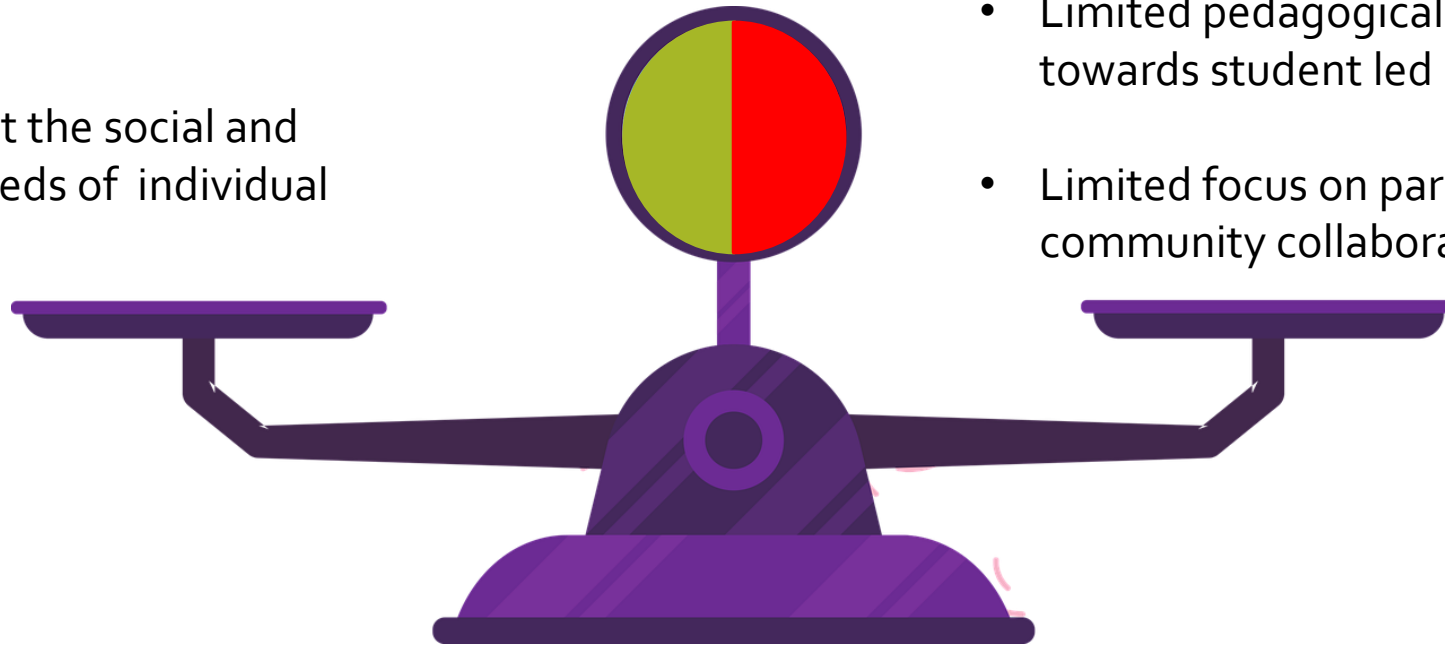
Scaffolded learning techniques – I Do, You Do, We Do  
Active, social engagement – Think, pair, share  
Meaningful, contextualised learning experiences  
Student interest and control over learning

Hattie's Visible Learning – Six signposts towards excellence in education (2012)

1. **Teachers are among the most powerful influences in learning.**
2. Teachers need to be **directive, influential, caring, and actively and passionately engaged** in the process of teaching and learning.
3. Teachers need to be **aware of what each and every student in their class is thinking and what they know**, be able to construct meaning and meaningful experiences in light of this knowledge of the students and have proficient knowledge and understanding of their subject content so that they can provide meaningful and appropriate feedback such that each student moves progressively through the curriculum levels.
4. Teachers and students need to **know the learning intentions and the criteria for student success** for their lessons, know how well they are attaining these criteria for all students, and know where to go next in light of the gap between students' current knowledge and understanding and the success criteria of 'Where are you going?', 'How are you going?', and 'Where to next?'
5. Teachers need to move from the single idea to multiple ideas, and to relate and then extend these ideas such that learners construct, and reconstruct, knowledge and ideas. It is not the knowledge or ideas, but the learner's construction of this knowledge and ideas that is critical.
6. School leaders and teachers need to create schools, staffrooms, and **classroom environments in which error is welcomed as a learning opportunity**, in which discarding incorrect knowledge and understandings is welcomed, and in which teachers can **feel safe to learn, re-learn, and explore knowledge and understanding**.

## Strengths and Limitations

- Humanism learning theory can be adapted to suit most teaching contexts
- Fundamental positive connections for learning
- Focus to meet the social and emotional needs of individual students
- Emotional and intense behavioural support not as much a focus in “green, leafy schools”
- Difficult in schools with strong behaviourist approaches
- Limited pedagogical approach towards student led learning
- Limited focus on parental and community collaboration





## Four key pillars to my pedagogical framework

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