

Unleashing Greatness - Going Deeper
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The Story is always about Moral Purpose

I know if I need extra help or to be challenged to do better I will get the right support

I can get the job that I want

My parents are involved in the school

I know what good work looks like and can help myself to learn

I belong here

I can work well with and learn from many others as well as my teacher

I know how I am being assessed and what I need to do to improve my work

I know what my learning objectives are and feel in control of my learning

I get to learn lots of interesting and different subjects


I use computers to help me learn

"All these... whatever my background, whatever my abilities, wherever I start from"



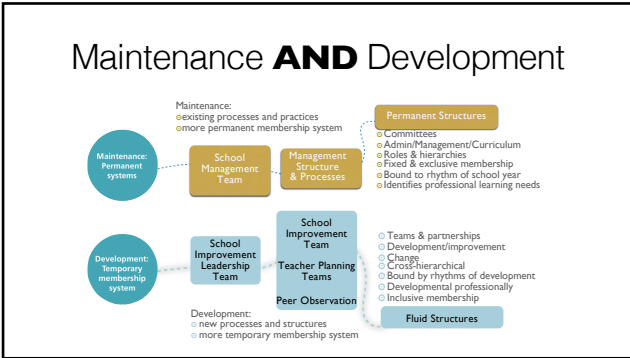
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THE WORLD EXPERT IN YOUR SCHOOL... →

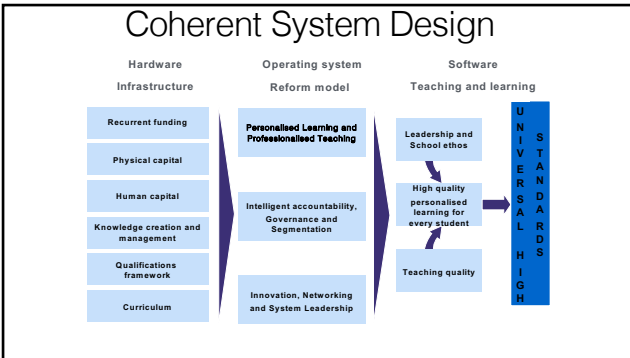


YOU!

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1. Clarify Moral Purpose
2. Focus on Classroom Practice
3. Decide on the Non-negotiables
4. Articulate the Narrative
5. Instructional Rounds & Theories of Action
6. Triads and Peer Coaching
7. Instructional Leadership
8. Network in MATs

Unleashing Greatness ...

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Morning

- You & Moral Purpose
- Instructional Rounds & Theories of Action
- Triads and Peer Coaching

Today ...

Afternoon



- Decide on the Non-negotiables
- Articulate the Narrative
- Development Planning



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What do we know about successful systems?

1. The quality of a system or school cannot exceed the quality of its people
2. The only way to improve student outcomes is to improve the quality of teaching
3. High performance requires every child to succeed

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FOCUS ON CLASSROOM PRACTICE

LEARNING EXPERIENCES ...

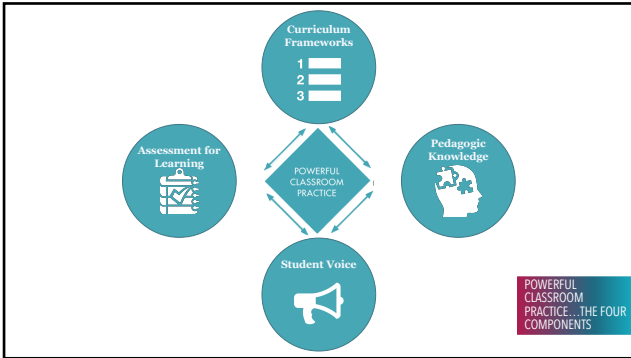
I wrote - with Bruce Joyce - some time ago that:

Learning experiences are composed of content, process and social climate. As teachers we create for and with our children opportunities to explore and build important areas of knowledge, develop powerful tools for learning, and live in humanizing social conditions.

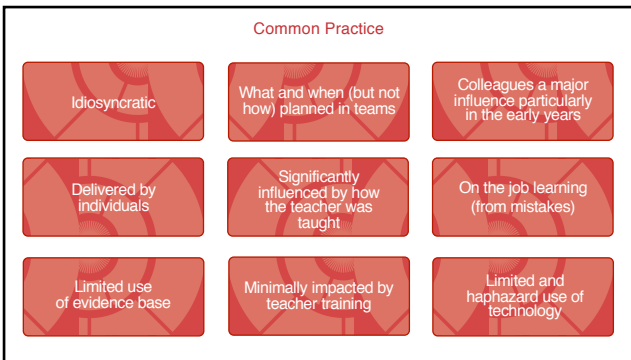


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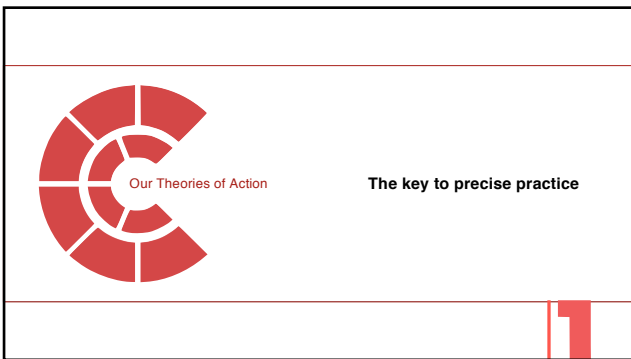
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THE INSTRUCTIONAL ROUNDS PROCESS WORKS LIKE THIS

Rounds visit to focus on teaching and learning in the school

Small groups visit a rotation of classes and descriptive evidence is gathered

Analyse evidence taking into account school context

Develop Theories of Action

Visitors provide structured feedback to school and teachers

Host school uses the Theories of Action as a basis for planning ongoing professional development.

FIVE LESSONS FROM INSTRUCTIONAL ROUNDS

- 1 Similar Theories of Action are defined and implemented in most schools, despite differences in schooling phases and contexts
- 2 This is not a "pick and mix" approach. It's necessary to integrate all Theories of Action into a teacher's professional repertoire
- 3 All Theories of Action are characterised by teaching approaches with inquiry at their centre.
- 4 Some Theories of Action are about the whole school, and some are about the individual practice of teachers
- 5 All Theories of Action have a high level of empirical support in the research literature.

THE STORY OF OUR INSTRUCTIONAL ROUNDS

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As a result of our "inside-out" work on Instructional Rounds we have identified ten Theories of Action that when taken together

Profile Learning Experiences & Authentic Relationships

Emphasise Enquiry Focused Teaching

Adopt Consistent Teaching Protocols

Adopt Consistent Learning Protocols

Six Theories of Action for the Teacher

Harness Learning Intentions, Narrative & Pace

Set Challenging Learning Tasks

Frame Higher Order Questions

Connect Feedback to Data

Commit to Assessment for Learning

Implement Cooperative Groups

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CURIOSITY & POWERFUL LEARNING: EFFECT SIZE

The Effect Size barometer

A barometer like this accompanies each theory of action on the following pages. Some strategies fall in the red zone. They impede learning. Some learning is attributed to developmental effects – not children and young people develop. They develop over learning conditions. Most are in the learning occurring in the orange zone is learning that would probably occur even if there was no schooling.

The yellow zone includes teaching strategies leading to learning outcomes that would occur in a typical year of schooling.

As teachers and school leaders, our task is to apply strategies that fall in the yellow and blue zones. They are high value strategies. Compared to other strategies, they have the largest effect size – that is, they make the biggest difference for our students' learning.

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Four Whole School Theories of Action
Prioritise High Expectations & Authentic Relationships
If schools and teachers prioritise high expectations and authentic relationships, then curiosity will flourish

Emphasise Enquiry Focused Teaching
If enquiry is a defining characteristic of a school's culture, then the level of student achievement and curiosity will increase

Adopt Consistent Teaching Protocols
If we adopt consistent teaching protocols, then student behaviour, engagement, learning and curiosity will be enhanced

Adopt Consistent Learning Protocols
If we adopt consistent learning protocols in all classes, then all students will experience an enhanced capacity to learn, and to develop skills, confidence and curiosity

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Six Theories of Action for the Teacher

Harness Learning Intentions, Narrative & Pace
If we harness learning intentions, narrative and pace so students are more secure about their learning, and more willing to take risks, then achievement and understanding will increase and curiosity will be enhanced

Set Challenging Learning Tasks
If learning tasks are purposeful, clearly defined, differentiated and challenging, then all students will experience powerful, progressive and precise learning

Frame Higher Order Questions
If we systematically employ higher order questioning, then levels of student understanding will deepen and levels of achievement will increase

Connect Feedback to Data
If we connect feedback to data about student actions and performance, then behaviour will be more positive, progress will accelerate, and curiosity will be enhanced


Commit to Assessment for Learning
If we commit to peer assessment, and assessment for learning, then student engagement, learning and achievement will accelerate

Implement Cooperative Groups
If we implement cooperative group structures and techniques to mediate between whole class instruction and students carrying out tasks, then the academic performance of the whole class will increase

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Teacher Rubrics

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Teacher Rubrics

Four purposes for teachers

1. Clearly set out the habits, behaviours, and performance expectations of **high quality teaching**.
2. Support **personal reflection** by teachers about where their practice falls on the continuum
3. Provide a **common reference point** and language for teachers and school leaders when discussing teaching practice and performance
4. **Inform planning** for professional learning and development

Three outcomes for students

ENSURING MASTERY	Teachers plan with an unrelenting focus on high standards to ensure all students achieve mastery
CONTINUAL DEVELOPMENT	Every action and every communication is focussed on the individual student's ability to constantly grow and improve
LONGEVITY	All students set and achieve their goals, and all students are ready for post-school education and employment

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Teacher Rubrics Challenging Tasks

Teacher is aware of strategies that create challenge in the classroom.

- Tasks allow every student to avoid challenge while still meeting course criteria
- Teacher uses subject-specific language to describe through specific language to explain concepts
- Some students are often passive and depend on task behaviour
- A majority of students engage in higher-level cognitive tasks.

Teacher uses teaching strategies that are easily matched to most students' needs.

- Most tasks set by the teacher challenge students and require them to use subject-specific language to explain concepts
- Some students are challenged to demonstrate subject expertise
- Occasionally the teacher introduces challenges and students' level of understanding. This is dependent from background, engagement, motivation.

Teacher uses well-planned and often improvisational teaching strategies. Students learn opportunistically and independently.

- All tasks are precisely targeted to individual students
- Some students are engaged by available resources, tasks, and opportunities to contribute or learn in knowledge and respect assumptions in knowledge.

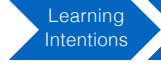
Teacher matches teaching strategies to most students' needs.

- Most tasks are differentiated and set within the ZPD for all students
- All students demonstrate progress
- Students are encouraged and supported to use subject-specific language to explain their thinking
- Students are asked to perform high-level operations, such as linking, comparing, analyzing, and evaluating

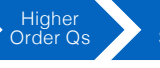
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Sequencing the Theories of Action


Learning Intentions



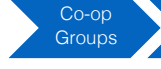
Higher Order Qs




Task Setting




Co-op Groups



Feedback



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How students think and learn

Number	Principle	Curiosity & Powerful Learning
1	Students' beliefs or perceptions about intelligence and ability affect their cognitive functioning and learning	<i>Moral purpose</i>
2	What students already know affects their learning	<i>Learning intentions, challenging tasks</i>
3	Students' cognitive development and learning are not limited by general stages of development	<i>Learning intentions, challenging tasks</i>
4	Learning is based on context, so generalising learning to new contexts is not spontaneous but instead needs to be facilitated	<i>Inquiry, challenging tasks, assessment for learning, feedback to data</i>

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How students think and learn 

Number	Principle	Curiosity & Powerful Learning
5	Acquiring long-term knowledge and skill is largely dependent on practice	<i>Teaching and learning protocols</i>
6	Clear, explanatory, and timely feedback to students is important for learning	<i>Connect feedback to data, assessment for learning</i>
7	Students self-regulation assists learning, and self-regulatory skills can be taught	<i>Learning protocols</i>
8	Student creativity can be fostered	<i>Inquiry, challenging tasks, assessment for learning, feedback to data</i>

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Target Teaching – John Hattie

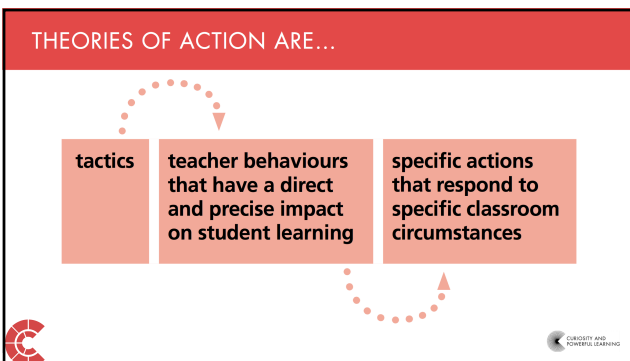
Influence	Effect Size	Source
Feedback	1.13	Teacher
Student's prior cognitive ability	1.04	Student
Instructional quality	1	Teacher
Direct instruction	0.82	Teacher
Remediation/feedback	0.65	Teacher
Student's disposition to learn	0.61	Student
Class environment	0.56	Teacher
Challenge of goals	0.52	Teacher
Peer tutoring	0.5	Teacher

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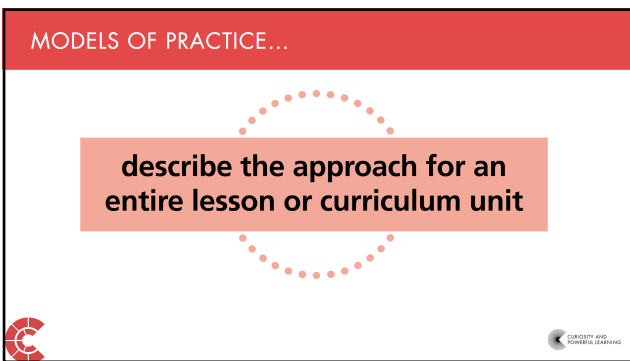
Table 1. Examples of low- and high-impact investments in building academic achievement (from Hattie, 2009)

Influence	d	Influence	d
Retaining back a year	-0.28	Collective teacher efficacy	1.57
Suspension/Expelling students	-0.20	Student assessment capability	1.33
Charter Schools	0.04	Cognitive Task Analysis	1.29
Teacher performance pay	0.05	Response to Intervention	1.09
Single sex schools	0.08	Conceptual change programs	0.99
Modifying school calendars/ timetables	0.09	Strategies to integrate with prior knowledge	0.93
Initial teacher education programs	0.10	Self-efficacy	0.92
Tracking/Streaming	0.12	Success criteria	0.88
School choice	0.12	Transfer strategies	0.86
Reducing class size	0.16	Classroom discussion	0.82
Growth vs Fixed mindsets	0.16	Deliberate Practice	0.79
One-to-one Laptops	0.16	Teacher clarity	0.75
Home-school programs	0.16	Feedback	0.74
Web-based learning	0.18	Reciprocal teaching	0.74
Within-class grouping	0.18	Rehearsal & memorisation	0.73
Systems accountability systems	0.20	Building student confidence	0.71
Adding finances	0.21	Goals/success criteria	0.68

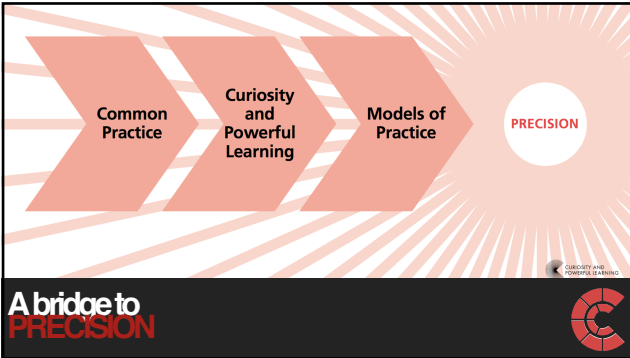
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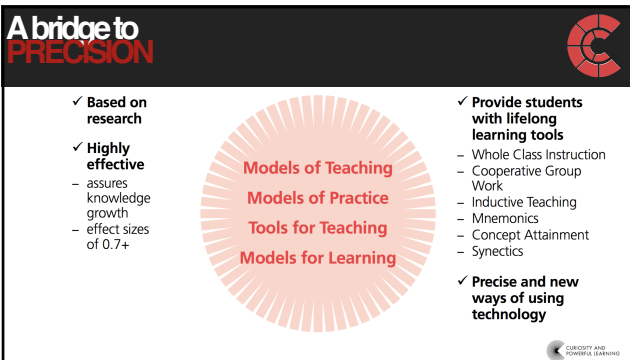
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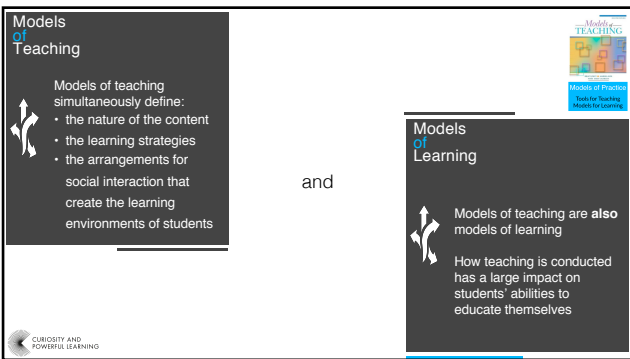
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Model of Practice	Learning Skills
 Direct Instruction	<i>Extracting information and ideas from lectures and presentations</i>
 Cooperative Group Work	<i>Working effectively with others to initiate and carry out cooperative tasks</i>
 Inductive Teaching	<i>Building hypotheses and theories through classification</i>
 Mnemonics	<i>Memorising information</i>
 Concept Attainment	<i>Attaining concepts and how to invent them</i>
 Synectics	<i>Using metaphors to think creatively</i>



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Triads and Peer Coaching
 Provide the infra-structure for professional development in the school and the means for putting the Theories of Action into Practice. The 'In-school Workshop' is the location for skill development through expert coaching, when once mastered is sustained the classroom through 'Peer Coaching'. Triads are the organisational unit for implementation.

- Joyce and Showers Coaching Model
- Workshop – Workplace
- Triads



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Good Learning and Teaching At Scale...
 technically simple, socially complex

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CURIOSITY
A POWERFUL LEARNING

Experience of Educational Change



Change takes place over time.

Change initially involves anxiety and uncertainty.

Technical and psychological support is crucial.

Learning new skills is incremental and developmental.

Successful change involves pressure and support within a collaborative setting.

Organisational conditions in and around the school make it more or less likely that the school improvement will occur.

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Circles of Competence



The Ring of Confidence

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Building Effective Practice...

intrinsic motivation as the catalyst

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Intrinsic Motivation

Dan Pink (Drive, 2009)



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Autonomy - control over the work	Mastery - get better at the work	Purpose - be part of something that is bigger than me
		

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OPERATIONALISING INTRINSIC MOTIVATION

Autonomy control over the work	1. Structural change: development & maintenance
Mastery get better at the work	2. Professional learning: a coaching model
(Moral) Purpose be part of something that is bigger than me	3. Protocols 4. Teacher teams 5. Observation

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Professional learning: A Coaching Model

Theory
Demonstrate
Practice
Feedback
Coaching

Workshop - "Expert" coaching

Workplace - Peer coaching

- ⊖ School Improvement Team
- ⊖ Teacher Planning Teams
- ⊖ Peer Observation
- ⊖ School Networks

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Professional learning: A Coaching Model

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING: EFFECT SIZES FOR TRAINING OUTCOMES BY TRAINING COMPONENT			
Training components and combinations	Knowledge	Skills	Transfer of training
Information	0.63	0.35	0.00
Theory	0.15	0.50	0.00
Demonstration	1.65	0.26	0.00
Theory + Demonstration	0.66	0.86	0.00
Theory + Practice	1.15		0.00
Theory + Demonstration + Practice		0.72	0.00
Theory + Demonstration + Practice + Feedback	1.31	1.18	0.39
Theory + Demonstration + Practice + Feedback + Coaching	2.71	1.25	1.68

Adapted from Joyce and Showers, 1995

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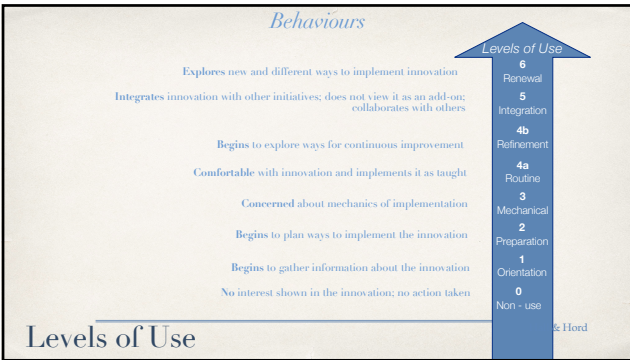
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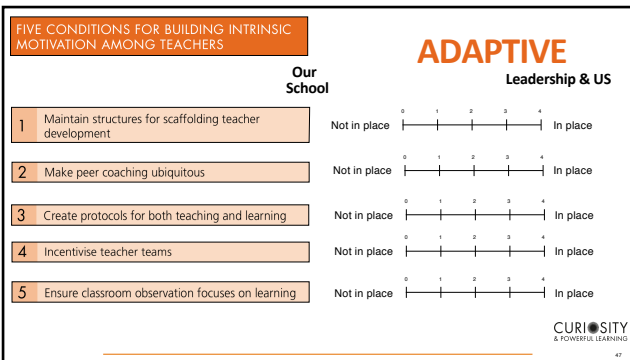
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- Following Workshop
- Groups of three
- Meet regularly
- Observe in pairs using protocols
- Soon after discuss data
- Then share with the other
- Repeat cycle with the other
- Meet every half term to review and record progress

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DECIDE ON THE NON-NEGOTIABLES

LEADERSHIP ... THE PLAYBOOK FOR SUCCESS

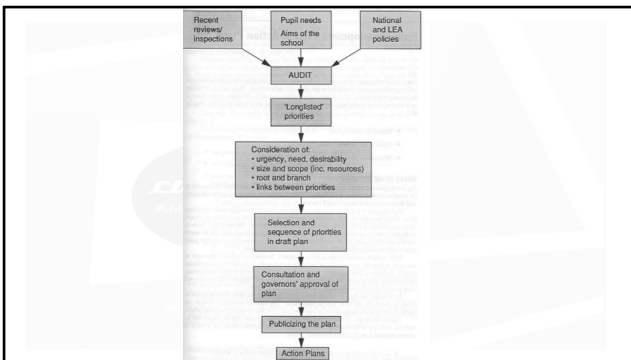


School leaders who bring about significant improvements in student achievement tend to follow a common "playbook"

They:

- decide on what is non-negotiable
- install capable and like-minded people in critical positions
- deeply engage with stakeholders
- secure resources for the non-negotiables
- get early wins on the board

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Selecting and Sequencing Priorities

A rag-bag of priorities does not make a good plan. A collection of priorities put together on an arbitrary or ad hoc basis creates problems in implementation and makes it difficult to justify the selection.

The choice of priorities is guided by two principles. The plan must be:

- *manageable*: the risk of trying to do too much too quickly must be avoided;
- *coherent*: the priorities must be placed in a sequence that makes implementation easier.

So Consider –

1. Urgency, need and desirability
2. Size and Scope including Resources
3. Root and Branch
4. Links between Priorities

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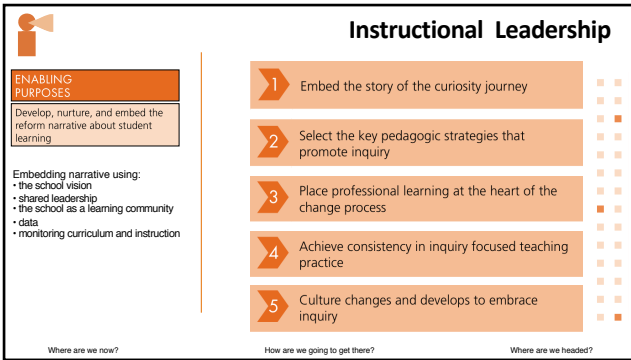


Tools For Planning

1. Instructional Leadership – 5 steps
2. School Improvement Pathway
3. School Improvement Process Proforma

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Instructional Leadership

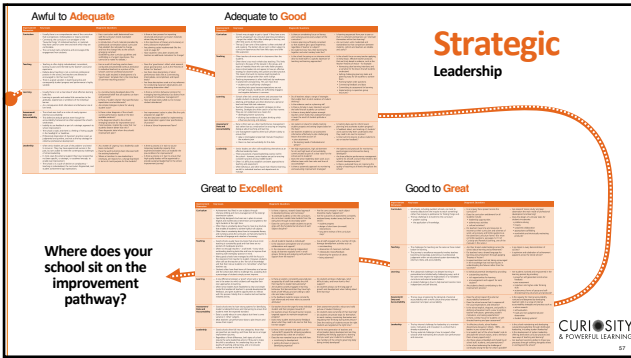
ENABLING PURPOSES
Develop, nurture, and embed the reform narrative about student learning

Embedding narrative using:
 • the school vision
 • shared leadership
 • the school as a learning community
 • data
 • monitoring curriculum and instruction

- 1 Embed the story of the curiosity journey
- 2 Select the key pedagogic strategies that promote inquiry
- 3 Place professional learning at the heart of the change process
- 4 Achieve consistency in inquiry focused teaching practice
- 5 Culture changes and develops to embrace inquiry

Where are we now? How are we going to get there? Where are we headed?

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Strategic Leadership

Where does your school sit on the improvement pathway?

Awful to Adequate Adequate to Good Great to Excellent Good to Great

CURIOUSITY & FUTURE LEARNING

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Powerful Learning
Being a relentless focus on improving the learning outcomes of 'every student' in 'every school' across the whole system...

The school improvement journey...
 Selecting and sequencing the theories of action...
 Professional learning...
 Ensuring consistency...
 Culture change and development...
 Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats...

A six-step framework for investigating school improvement processes through the Theories of Action

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ROAD to NOWHERE

If you're not on a journey to excellence, the road to nowhere is yours

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Stories matter...

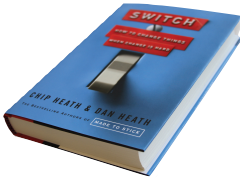
- Psychologically privileged
- Currency of our thoughts
- Flight simulators for the mind

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THE IMPORTANCE OF NARRATIVE

The Switch idea	The school improvement perspective
A credible idea makes people believe	Our theories of action
An emotional idea makes people care	Our moral purpose
The right story makes people act	Our collaborative action influences every classroom, the whole school, the system



CURIOUS AND POWERFUL LEARNING

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PHASE 1: EMBED THE STORY OF THE CURIOSITY JOURNEY

... is **urgent** – it translates the vision of curiosity, of a focus on inquiry, into clear principles for action.

... offers a **motivating** image of the future we are creating for our school and our students.

... links **moral purpose** to action in practical and concrete ways – our values are the constant companions of our actions.

OUR STORY

... makes **tangible connections** between teaching and learning. These connections sustain a teaching and learning culture that produces and maintains high standards and student empowerment.

... is **inclusive**, and **oriented to action** in every classroom and across the whole school.

... is **shared and understood** by staff, students, and the school community.

Characteristics of a compelling school improvement story

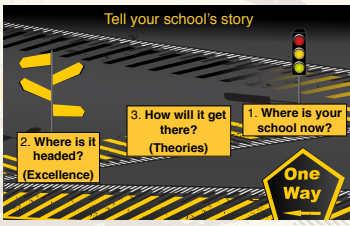
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PHASE 1: EMBED THE STORY OF THE CURIOSITY JOURNEY

OUR STORY

- Is there urgency? Is it motivating? How?
- Is moral purpose to the fore?
- Clear connections between learning and teaching?
- Is it inclusive and can it be shared and understood across the community?
- Are there clear actions?



Tell your school's story

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THE WORLD EXPERT IN YOUR SCHOOL... →

YOU! - SO, WHAT DO YOU DO ON MONDAY?

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CURIOSITY & POWERFUL LEARNING PROGRAM

In School Activity following Workshop One
All activities led by School Improvement Team

1. Leadership team discuss C&PL and commit to the approach confident that it is consistent with the values and aspirations of the school.

2. Conduct a series of staff sessions to introduce C&PL to the whole school and the initial outline narrative and use this to gather feedback and contributions to developing the school narrative of improvement. Convince staff that C&PL is not another initiative but a rigorous school improvement approach which builds on the strengths of the school.


3. Establish the School Improvement Team. This might already exist, and consideration have to be given to specific roles and responsibilities in relation to C&PL. Decide on meeting schedule.

4. Make decisions about allocation of resources and the deployment of time to ensure the success of C&PL.

5. Consider the current school initiatives and the policy agenda. Decide what are the school priorities in relation to the best outcomes for all students. Discard those initiatives that are not generating the best outcomes for students.

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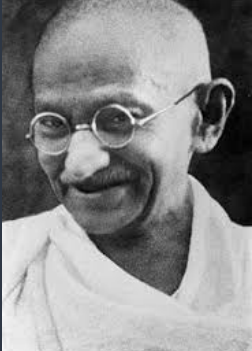
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In School Activity following Workshop One contd
 All activities led by School Improvement Team

6. Enquire into the strengths and challenges of the school. Any school improvement strategy must reflect the specific context of the school. This means that there needs to be a thorough analysis of the school context, student attainment and learning and the teaching approaches of staff.
7. Using the School Improvement Pathway design the whole school C&PL development plan. Use this to underpin the narrative for the school that links the C&PL school improvement activities with the school's development plan. Additionally, this is an opportunity to integrate other proven teaching and learning initiatives into the plan.
8. Cross reference the NSW School Excellence Framework into the narrative along with professional standards. Work towards creating one comprehensive plan that makes sense to staff rather than multiple plans.
9. Discuss and begin to draw up plans for introducing Triad working. Consider whether it will be whole school initially or departmentally.
10. Forge links with other similar schools engaged in C&PL.

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You must be the change you wish to see in the world ...
 Live as if you were to die tomorrow;
 learn as if you were to live forever.

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PRACTICE TEXT

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POLICY RESEARCH

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