

# **MAKING TEACHING VISIBLE: CHECKLIST**



MOVING FROM 'WELL-INTENTIONED' TO 'WELL-RESPECTED' TEACHING PROFESSIONALS

"Hi, I'm excited that you are planning to try out the 'Making Teaching Visible' process for yourself! I hope you found value in and have enjoyed going through the pack and the resources so far.

I invite you to use this quick at a glance checklist as a reference to ensure that you do not miss out on any of the key ingredients! It's really very simple to execute, and here are some things that I keep in mind during the process. **Please feel free to innovate**, **translate and implement the way you want. And, I would love to know how you have done it. Do Share your experience**".

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#### BEFORE

- Decide which part of your practice you want to showcase, which could be either:
  - An **educational theory** that forms the **foundation** of your teaching practice with students of a particular age; or
  - Some **research** that is important to share / discuss with the parents, based on sensing the pulse of what is happening with the students.
- □ Do a thorough research on the theory and how the practice is being taken up by other practitioners over the world. Always **align** your version of the practice with the **needs and interests** of your students.
- □ Send an **invitation email** to the parents informing them of the date and time of the MTV.
- □ In this email, include a link / attachment which contains some easy background information about the topic of the MTV, so that it is not entirely new information for the parents when they come for the MTV session.
- □ In **collaboration** with colleagues, prepare for the MTV, keeping in mind:
  - How you might share the information with the parents without making it too **complex** or jargonheavy for them.
  - **Connect** the theory with **classroom practice** using pictures and examples of opportunities that students are exposed to.
- Do a dry run to practice and receive feedback and questions from school leaders or other teachers.

## DURING

- □ Start with a brief **activity / ice-breaker** that is connected to the theory being showcased.
- □ Try to make sure that the session is as **interactive** as possible throughout, to ensure that the experience feels more like a workshop than a presentation.
- □ Encourage parents to ask **questions** during the session.
- □ Involve students (the whole class should be present) when connecting the **theory to classroom** practice and get them to give examples of where they see it happening.

### AFTER

- □ Send an email to the parents **thanking** them for attending, sharing the **presentation** that is used, and some links for **further reading**.
- **□** Close the loop with the students, inviting them to share what they learnt from the experience.

#### SOME IMPORTANT TIPS

- □ While preparing, use the **collective wisdom** of colleagues by discussing the topic and your ideas with them and getting their insights.
- Do a dry run specifically with people who are **not familiar** with the teaching practice they will give useful **feedback / inputs** about whether the material can be understood by the audience (parents).