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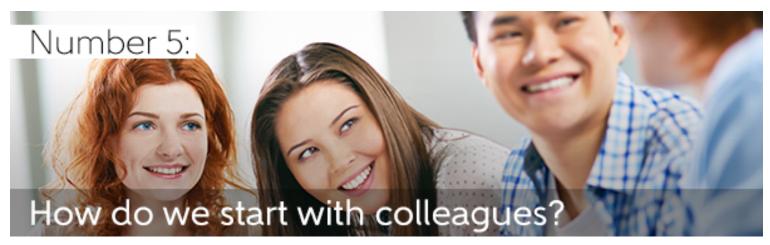
Hello Friend,

We know that teachers are committed and caring. Plus, they can be incredibly busy. For us as Christians, we also know that teachers can struggle with how to express the deeper purposes of what our teaching is about, as we work to be faithful to what God has called us to do.

Our hope at The Excellence Centre is that these short pieces will encourage you, stimulate you, and give you some practical ideas. Please feel free to send in your ideas of what you would like to see in future series. If you do not wish to keep receiving these *Teachers Talking* pieces, go to the "Unsubscribe" link below.

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I recently heard of a teacher who sat in a staffroom without anybody talking to her. It was her first day as a casual. She was a confident person who then initiated conversation with others. That did not detract from her disappointment of the lack of hospitality and care shown to her in a Christian school.

God has made us for relationships, and much of the Bible describes the implications of this. In terms of leadership, we are not to 'lord it over others', but serve each other with the same mind that Jesus served us – to help us in our deepest need.

All Christians are called to be hospitable, to respect everyone, and to exercise charity. We need to look for these attributes in our staff rooms, particularly when new people are around. This is more than professional and collegial support. It is the challenge to all of us to get to know each other, heart to heart, and to help each other on the journey that God has called us on together.

Perhaps you can email us about ideas that you have found helpful in this, and we will share that with others.

Until next time.



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