TEACHER TRAINING



PREP ZONE is where we communicate and engage with students in the 5-15 minutes before class. **The goal** of the Prep Zone is to direct students into productive activities, and to facilitate a welcoming, but disciplined and respectful environment.

3 BENEFITS OF PREP ZONE

- 1. Provides structure and prevents chaos before classes.
- 2. Enables teachers to engage with the students and show that they care.
- 3. Helps teachers be more punctual and organised.

THE PREP ZONE TOOLBOX

- Mix with students on mat.
- Ask students about their day.
- Help students practice.
- Ask an adult student if they want help with something.

PREP ZONE HOMEWORK QUIZ

1. What is the Prep Zone?

- □ A time for you to prepare by relaxing before class.
- □ The time for teachers to talk to each other.
- $\hfill\square$ A time to engage with the students.

2. What type of environment is the Prep Zone?

- □ A disciplined and respectful environment.
- $\hfill\square$ An environment with the students all pumped up.
- □ A stern, strict environment.

3. What do YOU get out of Prep Zone as a teacher?

- □ The chance to clear your mind and focus.
- □ Nothing it's not a very satisfying time.
- $\hfill\square$ The chance to help students and build rapport.

- Play the circle "name game." Children say their name and see how many they can remember.
- Talk about any events coming up.
- Review school rules and procedures.
- Positively pre-frame students for class (and reframe if needed!)

4. Why is Prep Zone important?

- □ The students get directed into productive activities and feel welcomed.
- □ The students get to release all the pent-up energy from the day.
- □ It stops teachers from getting bored before class.

5. When is the Prep Zone?

- □ The first 10 minutes of the class.
- □ 15 minutes after the class ends.
- □ Whatever is necessary, 5-15 minutes before class.

