

SUPPORTING TEACHERS AT
THE START, THE RETURN, AND
EVERY REFRESH IN BETWEEN

THE TEACHING JOURNEY: FOUNDATIONS FOR PRACTICE

WHO IS THIS FOR?

Foundations of Effective Teaching recognises that confident teaching is built deliberately, through strong foundations, guided practice, and professional support. This is not a one-size-fits-all course. Instead, it is a responsive, relationship-based professional learning programme that meets teachers where they are and supports them to grow their practice in ways that are relevant to their learners, their curriculum context, and their professional stage.

This is a series of five one-day, face-to-face workshops

DESIGNED FOR

- ✔ Beginning Teachers (PCT / provisionally certificated)
- ✔ Teachers returning to the workforce
- ✔ Overseas Trained Teachers (OTT)
- ✔ Any teacher seeking a confident refresher in effective classroom practice

FACE TO FACE

- ✔ Practical classroom-ready strategies
- ✔ Strong foundations in effective teaching practice
- ✔ Professional confidence and clarity
- ✔ A supportive local learning network

Delivery is interactive, practical, and demonstration-based, intentionally designed for small-group learning where questions, discussion, and real-world application are valued.

"THE BEGINNING IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF THE WORK."

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If one-size-fits-all learning isn't good enough for our students, why would it be good enough for our teachers?

WHAT MAKES THIS PROGRAMME DIFFERENT?

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This programme:

- ✓ Is responsive, not pre-packaged
- ✓ Grows from participants' real classroom experiences
- ✓ Supports both practice and professional identity

Key features include:

- ✓ Place-based approaches to support culturally responsive curriculum design and understanding of local contexts
- ✓ Experiential learning that helps teachers identify their own next steps and learning needs
- ✓ A Professional Learning Network that participants can continue to draw on as they grow
- ✓ Guidance to build and maintain professional portfolios, with models of reflection and evidence shared throughout

What teachers say

"The sessions gave me great hands-on ideas to apply in my classroom the very next day, in a variety of settings. The scope of learning benefited me across curriculum areas as well as my professional practice."

- Previous participant

2026	Cohort 1 – teachers of years 7 - 13	Cohort 2 – teachers of years 1 - 8	Venue: Taupō Intermediate School 22 Kotare Street, Taupō Investment: \$1,500 + GST
Session 1	Thursday 12 March 9.00am - 3.00pm	Friday 13 March 9.00am - 3.00pm	Find out more For further information or to register your interest: admin@edconnect.co.nz www.edconnect.co.nz
Session 2	Thursday 30 April 9.00am - 3.00pm	Friday 1 May 9.00am - 3.00pm	Morning tea and lunch provided

1 further session per term – dates to be determined

Beginning the Journey is proudly delivered by EDconnect - supporting confident, capable teachers from the very start.