

# Checklist for embedding relational approaches into educational settings

## Remember:

**Consistency is key:** Apply relational approaches consistently across the whole school. **Leadership support:** Senior leaders must actively champion and model these approaches. **Ongoing reflection:** Regularly and refine relational practices.

# School culture and ethos

Establish a shared vision, prioritising positive relationships and wellbeing

Embed relational approaches in policies, promoting respect, empathy and inclusivity

Create physical spaces that encourage connection and positive interaction

#### Staff training and development

Provide ongoing training for all school staff on relational approaches

Support staff with supervision, reflective practice, and professional development in relational approaches

#### Student relationships and wellbeing

Support the developing of emotional regulation, relationship-building, and decision-making skills

Use restorative practices to address conflict and repair harm

Actively promote student voice and leadership

Identify and support students facing trauma or other challenges

## Family and community engagement

Maintain strong relationships and clear communication with families, caregivers and community members

Provide information and resources on relational approaches

Involve families in school activities and events

#### **Monitoring and Evaluation**

Monitor student well-being, behaviour, and attendance

Assess and refine relational approaches using data and feedback from staff, students, and families