

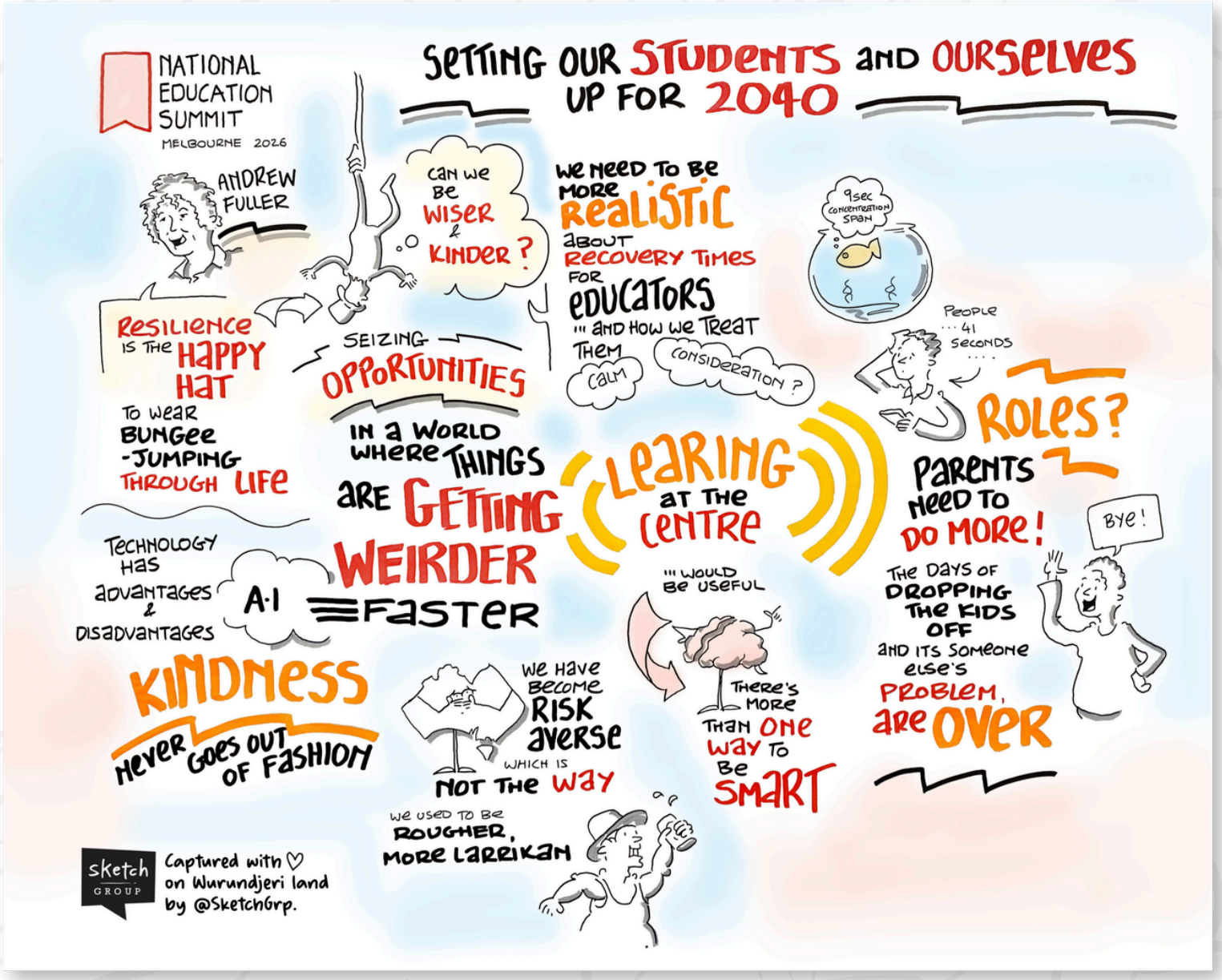
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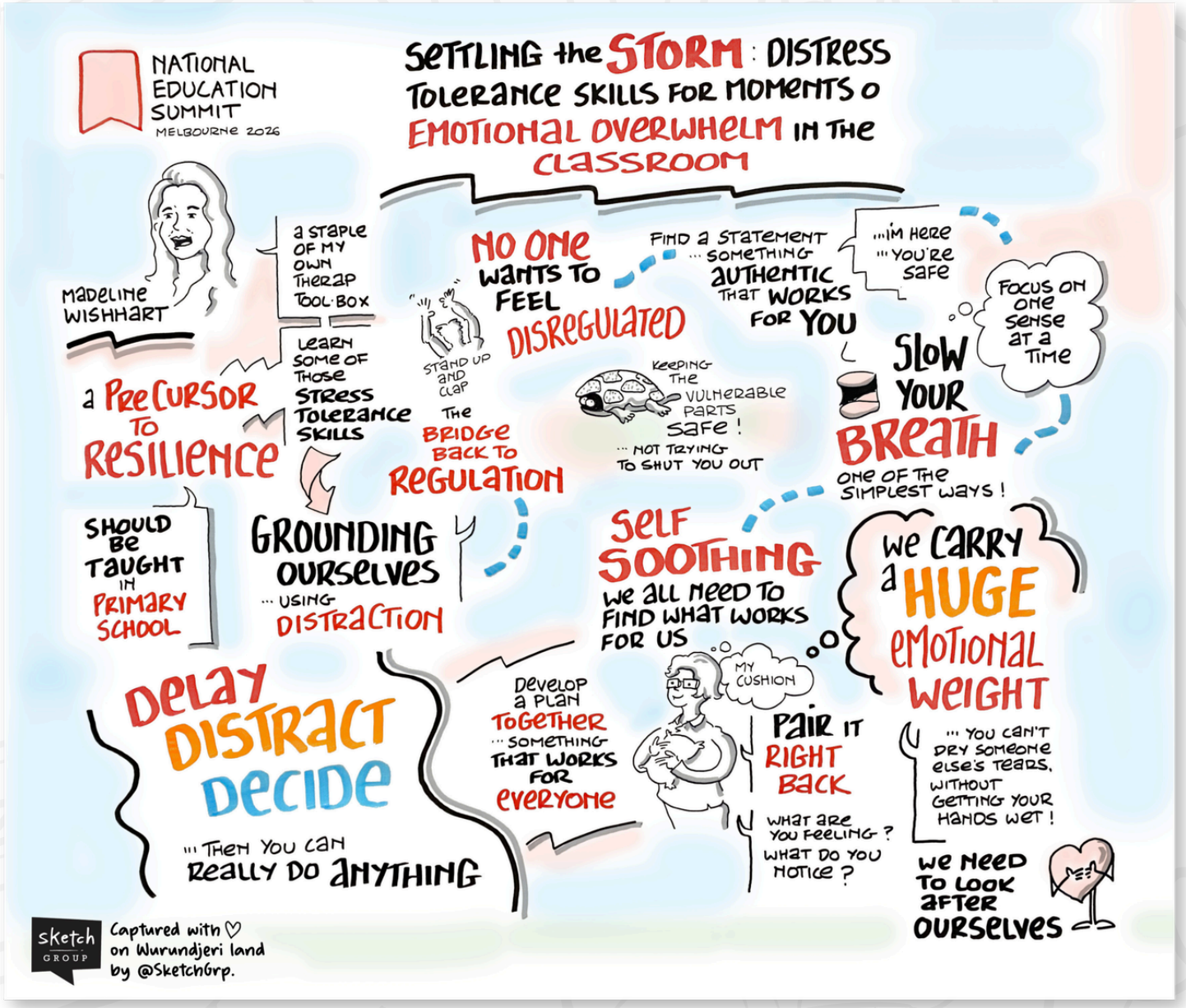
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SETTING OUR STUDENTS AND OURSELVES UP FOR 2040
ANDREW FULLER
CAN WE BE WISER & KINDER?
WE NEED TO BE MORE REALISTIC ABOUT RECOVERY TIMES FOR EDUCATORS ... AND HOW WE TREAT THEM
CALM
CONSIDERATION?
9SEC CONCENTRATION SPAN
PEOPLE ... 41 SECONDS ....
RESILIENCE IS THE HAPPY HAT
TO WEAR BUNGEE-JUMPING THROUGH LIFE
SEIZING OPPORTUNITIES
IN A WORLD WHERE THINGS ARE GETTING WEIRDER
LEARNING AT THE CENTRE
ROLES?
PARENTS NEED TO DO MORE!
BYE!
THE DAYS OF DROPPING THE KIDS OFF AND ITS SOMEONE ELSE'S PROBLEM, ARE OVER
TECHNOLOGY HAS ADVANTAGES & DISADVANTAGES
A·I = FASTER
... WOULD BE USEFUL
THERE'S MORE THAN ONE WAY TO BE SMART
KINDNESS NEVER GOES OUT OF FASHION
WE HAVE BECOME RISK AVERSE WHICH IS NOT THE WAY
WE USED TO BE ROUGHER, MORE LARRIKAN
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SETTLING the STORM: DISTRESS TOLERANCE SKILLS FOR MOMENTS o EMOTIONAL OVERWHELM IN THE CLASSROOM
MADELINE WISHHART
a STAPLE OF MY OWN THERAP TOOL·BOX
a PRECURSOR TO RESILIENCE
LEARN SOME OF THOSE STRESS TOLERANCE SKILLS
SHOULD BE TAUGHT IN PRIMARY SCHOOL
GROUNDING OURSELVES
... USING DISTRACTION
DELAY DISTRACT DECIDE
... THEN YOU CAN REALLY DO ANYTHING
STAND UP AND CLAP
NO ONE WANTS TO FEEL DISREGULATED
The BRIDGE BACK TO REGULATION
KEEPING THE VULNERABLE PARTS SAFE!
... NOT TRYING TO SHUT YOU OUT
FIND a STATEMENT ... SOMETHING AUTHENTIC THAT WORKS FOR YOU
... IM HERE ... YOU'RE SAFE
SLOW YOUR BREATH
ONE OF THE SIMPLEST WAYS!
FOCUS ON ONE SENSE at a TIME
SELF SOOTHING
WE ALL NEED TO FIND WHAT WORKS FOR US
Develop a PLAN TOGETHER ... SOMETHING THAT WORKS FOR EVERYONE
MY CUSHION
PAIR IT RIGHT BACK
WHAT ARE YOU FEELING? WHAT DO YOU NOTICE?
WE CARRY a HUGE EMOTIONAL WEIGHT
... YOU CAN'T DRY SOMEONE ELSE'S TEARS, WITHOUT GETTING YOUR HANDS WET!
WE NEED TO LOOK AFTER OURSELVES
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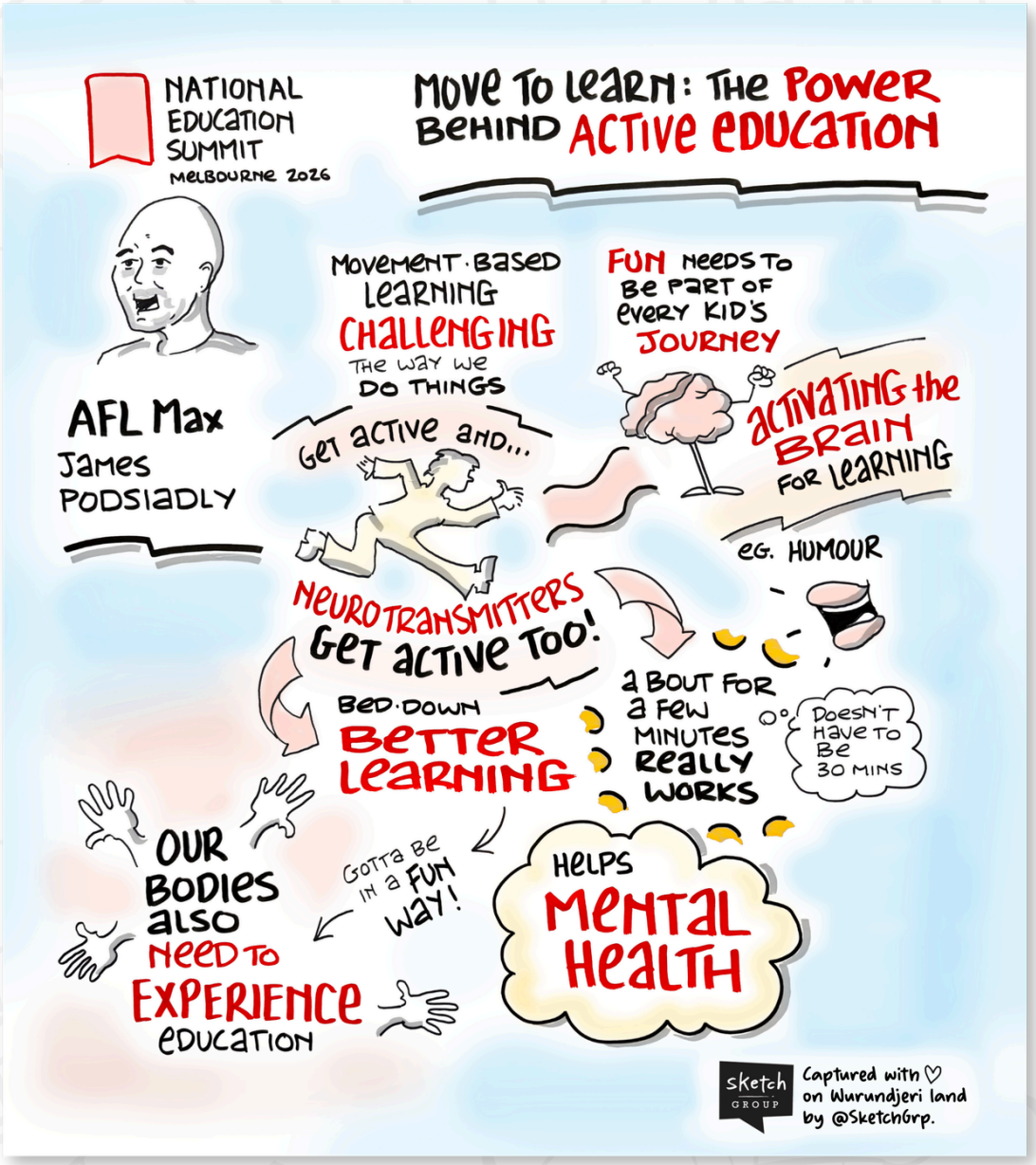

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BALANCING EMPATHY WITH ACCOUNTABILITY IN AN EDUCATIONAL CONTEXT
LISA KELLIHER
CHALLENGES AROUND ACCOUTABILITY VS VALUES
EMPATHY ?
@ PRE 2000's EMPATHY WAS CONSIDERED LOOSEY GOOSEY
WHAT ABOUT WHEN OUR VALUES ARE FAITH-BASED ?
@ IN THE 2010's THE RISE OF EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE
DISARM PEOPLE WHO WEAPONISE EMPATHY BEFORE THEY BECOME A CANCER IN YOUR ORGANISATION
WE'RE ALL FEELING IT THESE DAYS ... SO STOP COMPLAINING...
EMPATHY CAN BE MISUSED
HAS TO BE INTENTIONAL
CAN'T BE USED TO AVOID A HARD CONVERSATION OR TO EXCUSE BAD BEHAVIOUR
STRIKE A HEALTHY BALANCE BETWEEN STRENGTH AND WARMTH
GOOD PEOPLE WILL LEAVE THE ORGANISATION
CAN LEAD TO DOUBLE STANDARDS
CRUCIAL FOR GOOD STUDENT OUTCOMES
@ PRESENT: EMPATHY IS A KEY ASSET
"BUT YOU NEED TO REGULATE YOURSELF FIRST
WE'RE HERE FOR HIGH PERFORMANCE
WE NEED COMPASSIONATE ACCOUNTABILITY
CULTURAL SENSITIVITY
VULNERABILITY & AUTHENTICITY
I'M A LITTLE SCARED
PSYCHOLOGICAL SAFETY
A SHARED, AUTHENTIC JOURNEY
IT'S NOT BEING SOFT
ACTIVE LISTENING DEEPLY
PERSPECTIVE TAKING IS ABOUT STANDING IN EACH OTHERS SHOES
"NOW IT'S A COLLABORATION
IT'S CHAMPIONING GROWTH!
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USING DATA ANALYTICS TOOLS TO EFFECTIVELY MANAGE EVIDENCE-BASED TEACHING
CAROLINE GACHON
USE THE DATA YOU'VE COLLECTED!
INFORM THE NEXT STEPS OF TEACHING
DATA GIVES US LITTLE SNAP SHOTS
OVER TIME
"TEACHERS ARE TIME POOR
USE COLOUR FOR CATAGORIES
ALL THE DATA WORK WE'RE ACCUMULATING IS MAKING A LONG-TERM DIFFERENCE
ZERO IN ON AN ELEMENT
APPLY AND REASSESS
WE CAN'T CAPTURE EVERYTHING
WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO YOU AND YOUR STUDENTS?
PRESENT IN A WAY THAT'S EASIER TO UNDERSTAND
FOCUS ON AN ASPECT YOU KNOW WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE
AROUND THE SCHOOL TABLE POD CAST
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WHY CANCER EDUCATION MATTERS
A BIG OPERATION
REACHING THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE
2ND GROWING!
CAMP QUALITY
BRINGING BACK SOME FUN AND LAUGHTER TO THE LIVES OF KIDS WITH CANCER
DAMIAN RAGUSA
50% OF ALL PEOPLE WITH BE DIAGNOSED IN THEIR LIFETIME
CANCER DOESN'T DISCRIMINATE
TEACHERS ARE PART OF THE TEAM
AFFECTS FAMILY, FRIENDS, COMMUNITY AROUND THE PERSON WITH CANCER
TAKING A BREAK FROM CANCER
CREATING POSITIVE MEMORIES FOR KIDS AT A TOUGH TIME IN THEIR LIVES
16,000 CHILDREN DIAGNOSED EACH YEAR
75% SURVIVAL RATE IN THE 70's IS NOW ... (87%)
THINKING ABOUT ... "THE CARE WE NEED TO SPREAD OUT TO YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE SUPPORTING THEIR FRIENDS WITH CANCER
HOPE
INCLUSION
SHARING
BELONGING
HUGE IMPACTS ON MENTAL HEALTH AS WELL AS PHYSICAL
FERTILITY
MISSING OUT
PERMANENT DISABILITY
CONFUSING
SCARY
50% OF KIDS THINK YOU CAN CATCH CANCER
THERE CAN BE BULLYING AND ISOLATION
DIGNITY
LANGUAGE
TALKING & UNDERSTANDING
PUPPET SHOW ...
HELPING KIDS MAKE SENSE OF BIG FEELINGS
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TEACHER OR TECHNICIAN? CHOOSING A COLLABORATIVE PATH TO STRONGER PRACTICE IN THE AGE OF GEN A·I·
DESIGN FOR THE CHILDREN IN FRONT OF YOU.
YOU KNOW THEM BEST!
WE ARE ABOUT IMPROVING THINGS FOR TEACHERS AND KIDS ACROSS AUSTRALIA
MICHELLE WARE
SO MANY A·I· RESOURCES
BUT WE MUST DO THE CONCEPTUAL THINKING FIRST
EVIDENCED-BASED
STRIKING THE BALANCE BETWEEN SCRIPTED LEARNING AND CUSTOMISED A·I· ASSISTED LEARNING
THERE IS MORE OF A DIRECTIVE NOW, TO SCRIPTED LEARNING
ONE SIZE FITS NOBODY
Q.T. MODEL
HELPS US THINK THROUGH A MORE BALANCED PROCESS
WATCHING EACH OTHER TEACH
NON JUDGEMENTALLY
IN A COLLABORATIVE MODEL
IT HAS AN IMMEDIATE IMPACT
MORALE UP
ON TEACHER RETENTION
STRESS DOWN
COPING UP
AND STUDENT OUTCOMES
IN TOUGH SCHOOLS A 50% IMPROVEMENT
A·I
TERRIFIED TEACHERS?
CRITICAL THINKING & AGENTIC TEACHERS!
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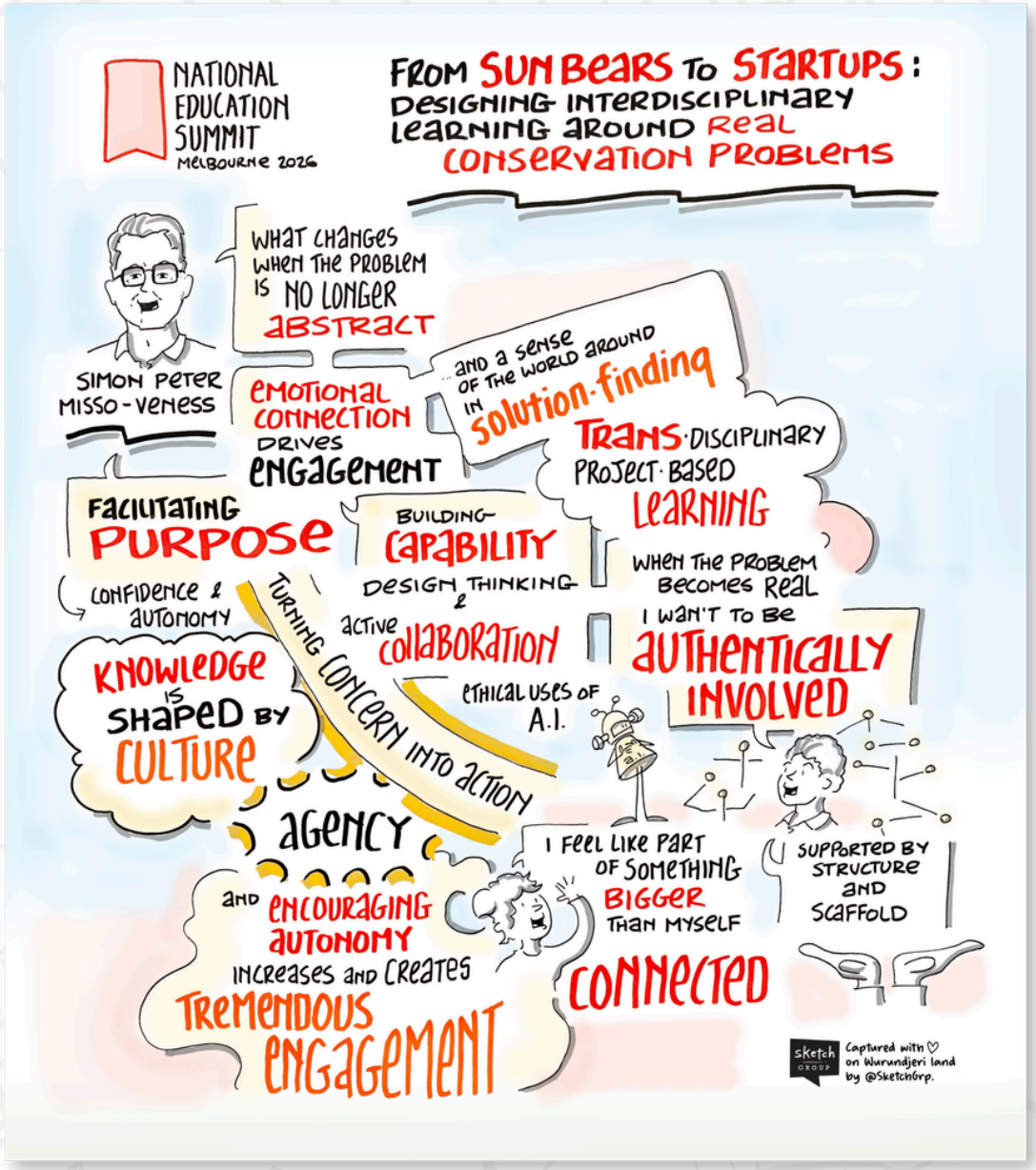

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THE YOUR LEARNING SYSTEM HAS A SCORE. DO YOU KNOW YOURS?
THUY PHAM
TELLING STORIES TO COMMUNICATE COMPLEX INFORMATION
EVERYBODY HAS A DIFFERENT PROFILE OF LADDERS
LEARNING LADDERS
MEASURING!
LEARNER'S JOURNEY
VS
TEACHING CYCLE
WE DON'T OFTEN FOCUS ENOUGH HERE
I FORGOT MY BOOK!
MAYBE JUST GO AND GET IT!
TEACHERS NEED TO BE ABLE TO MOVE UP AND DOWN THE STEPS
AND MEET STUDENTS WHERE THEY ARE AT!
OUR SCHOOLS ARE BASED ON AGE NOT ABILITY
"SO WILL MY GIFTED CHILD BECOME THE NAUGHTY KID?
"AND YOU CAN BE ON DIFFERENT RUNGS ON DIFFERENT TOPICS AT THE SAME TIME
MISSING A TILE?
YOUR CHILD IS BETTER OFF NOT BEING GIFTED IN OUR SCHOOL!
ENGAGE
INSTRUCT
PRACTICE
EXTEND
INTEGRATE
ONE CONNECTED LEARNING STAIRCASE
I COULD DRAW ON YOUR TILE
"AND YOU COULD DRAW ON MINE!
"KEEP THE BALL ROLLING
"THIS CONTENT AVAILABLE IN SPECTRUM BOOKS!
GOOD TEACHING IS NOT ENOUGH
WHAT ABOUT THE REST OF THE WEEK?
THE SPECTRUM SUCCESS PATH
EMBRACE GROWTH
CONSISTENCY
GROWTH MINDSET
GATHER RESOURCES AND COMMIT
ASSESS & ELEVATE
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MOVE TO LEARN: THE POWER BEHIND ACTIVE EDUCATION
AFL Max
James Podsiadly
MOVEMENT-BASED LEARNING CHALLENGING THE WAY WE DO THINGS
GET ACTIVE AND...
FUN NEEDS TO BE PART OF EVERY KID'S JOURNEY
ACTIVATING the BRAIN FOR LEARNING
EG. HUMOUR
NEUROTRANSMITTERS GET ACTIVE TOO!
BED-DOWN BETTER LEARNING
A BOUT FOR A FEW MINUTES REALLY WORKS
DOESN'T HAVE TO BE 30 MINS
OUR BODIES ALSO NEED TO EXPERIENCE EDUCATION
GOTTA BE IN A FUN WAY!
HELPS MENTAL HEALTH
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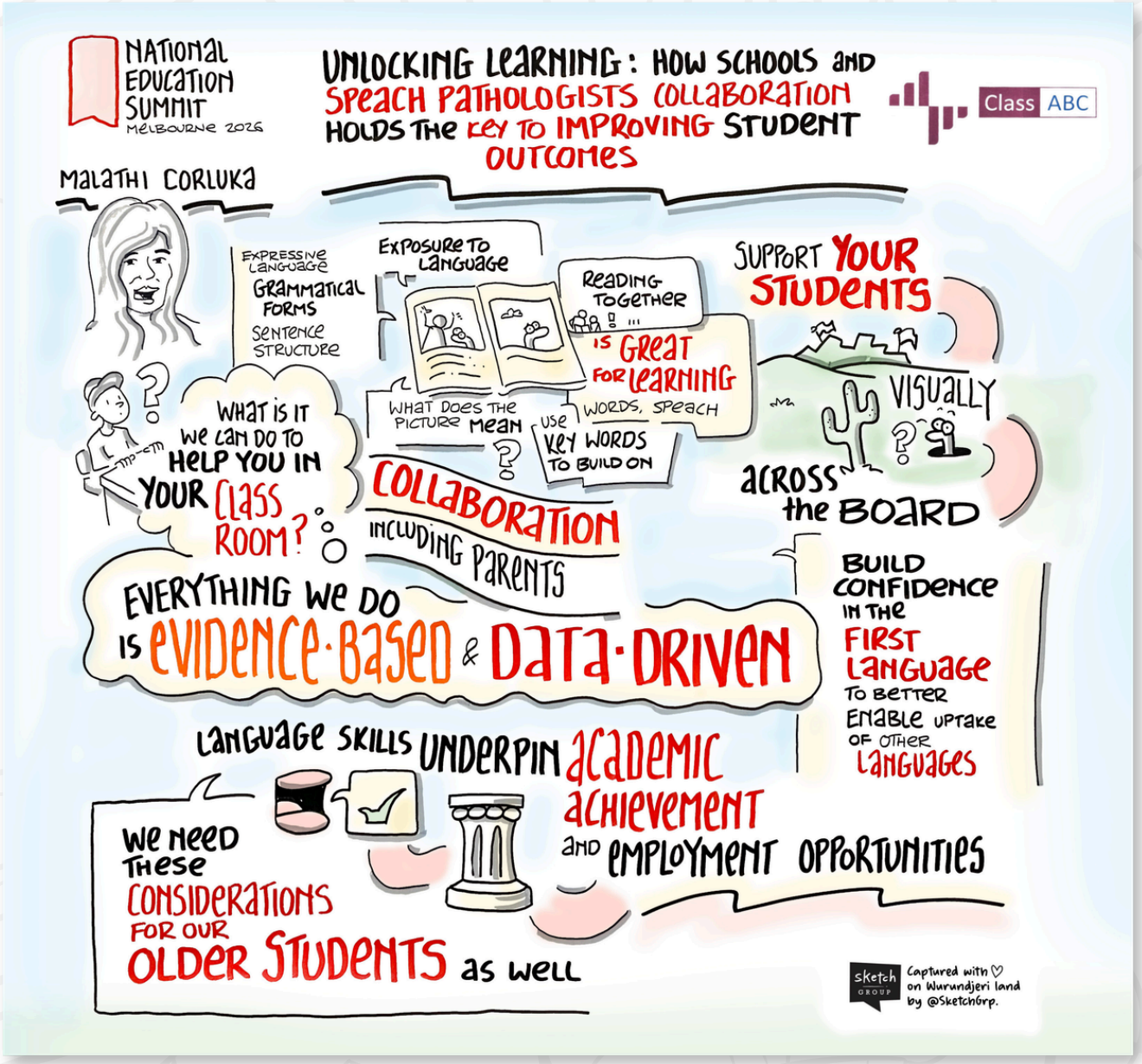

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BUILDING CULTURE, CLARITY, COLLECTIVE EFFICACY
DAVID KOLPAK
FORGIVENESS
HUMANS ARE DESIGNED TO MAKE MISTAKES AND LEARN FROM THEM
WHAT IS RIGHT FOR THE CHILDREN IN OUR CARE?
SET THE HIGH-JUMP BAR FOR OURSELVES AS WELL AS OUR STUDENTS
STUDENTS WANT PREDICTABILITY FROM TEACHERS ... AND TEACHERS WANT PREDICTABILITY FROM THEIR LEADERS!
LEADING BY EXAMPLE
... I'LL PICK UP LITTER TOO!
WELLBEING
- MY JOB IS TO CREATE THE CONDITIONS FOR IT!
IT'S NOT ABOUT THE INDIVIDUAL ... IT'S ABOUT COMMUNITY
IT'S UP TO YOU TO CREATE MY WELLBEING!
... DO THESE ACTIONS ALIGN WITH OUR VALUES?
PSYCHOLOGICAL SAFETY IS NOT COMFORT
SO HOW DO WE CHALLENGE, HAVE HARD CONVERSATIONS, BUILD A HEALTHY CULTURE?
INCLUDING FEEDBACK
ACCEPT & REWARD IT
MUTUAL RESPECT
WHAT KIND OF ENVIRONMENT DO WE HAVE WITHOUT IT?
TRUST
IS INTERCONNECTED WITH EVERYTHING
HOW DO WE MAKE THOSE CHALLENGING MOMENTS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR GROWTH?
AND POSITIVITY?
KNOW WHEN TO STOP
LET ME REFLECT!
... I KNOW YOU EXPECT ME TO BE RIGHT ALL THE TIME
... I'LL GET BACK TO YOU MONDAY!
SEEK CLARITY
WHAT? WHEN? HOW?
REMEMBER LISTENING IS NOT AGREEING
EMOTIONS TAKE OVER
PUT IT IN WRITING
MEMORIES FADE....
CLEAR, EMPOWERING, RELATIONAL
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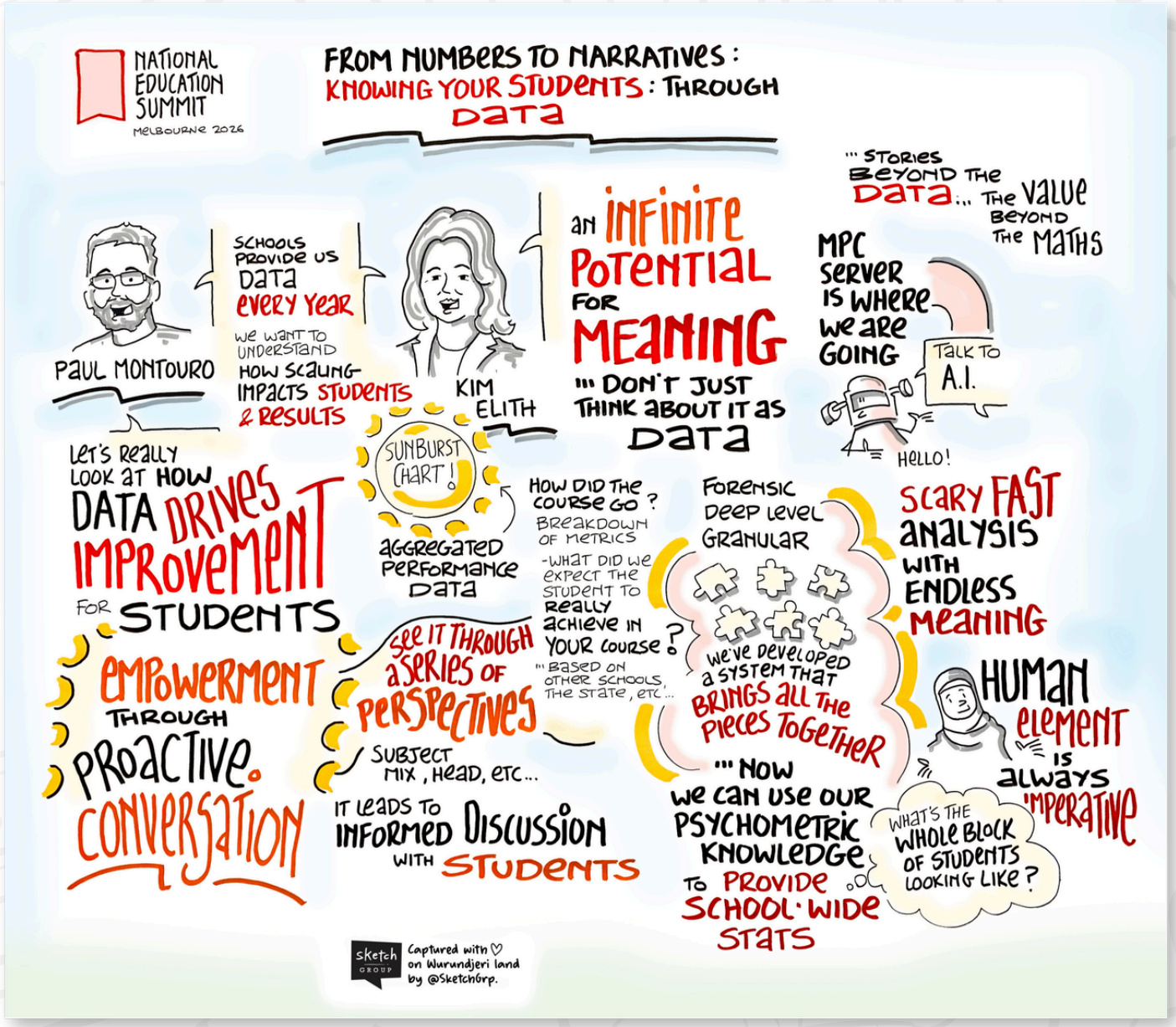

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THE HUMAN ADVANTAGE - HOW TEACHING & LEARNING IS CHANGING IN AN A·I· RICH WORLD
DR TIM KITCHEN
IN SAN FRANCISCO AUTONOMOUS CARS AS COMMON NOW AS TESLAS ARE IN MELBOURNE
WE MOVE TO BAN NEW TECHNOLOGY HISTORICALLY
THE A·I· WORLD IS A NATIONAL PRIORITY
WE BANNED CALCULATORS, THE INTERNET ETC...
BIAS!
HUMAN MADE & INTERNET MADE CONTENT IS NOT BALANCED
I'M NOT GOING AWAY!
A·I·
I'M CHANGING THE WAY YOU DO THINGS!
"BUT STUDENTS NEED TO USE IT WELL BY BEING GOOD HUMANS
IN 2010 CRITICAL THINKING "WE STARTED TALKING ABOUT IT IN OUR CURRICULUM
...BUT IT TOOK 'TIL 2026 TO ENTER OUR CURRICULUM
WE'RE GETTING FASTER AT ADAPTION & INCORPORATING
CAN YOUR STUDENTS MAKE WELL THOUGHT, CONSIDERED, DEFENSIBLE DECISIONS?
"NOT USING A.I. TO 'DO IT' FOR THEM...
LOCALISE A·I· (MAKE IT RELEVANT TO YOU)
INFORMATION
STUDENTS BECOME BETTER ENGAGED
WE NEED TO CREATE BETTER HUMANS
EVALUATE, CHALLENGE CREATE AND FLOURISH
WE CARE WE CHOOSE AND MAKE JUDGEMENTS
A.I. CAN'T DO THAT!
OUR A·I· ADVANTAGE
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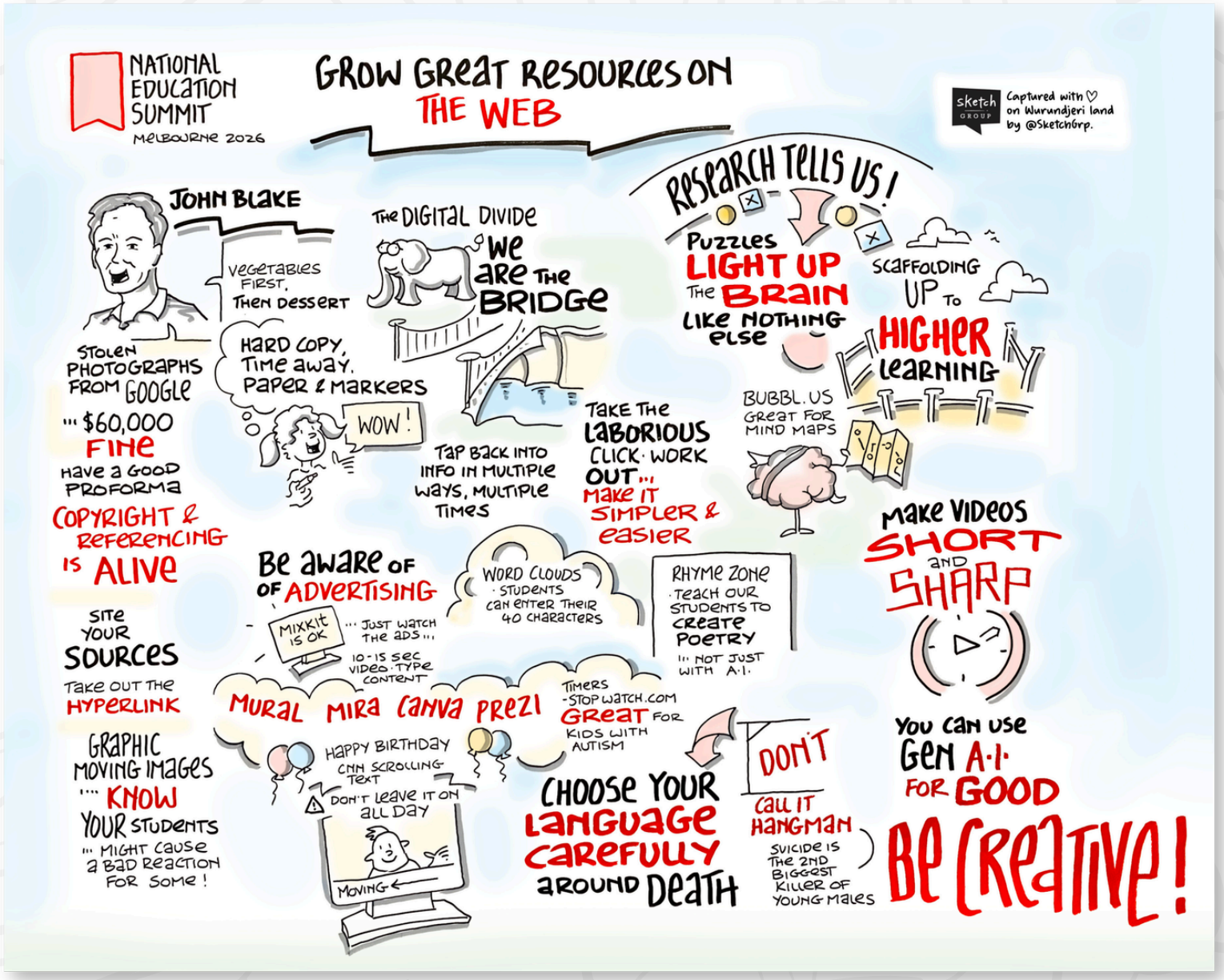

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SHAVING THE WAY FOR STUDENT LEADERSHIP. BUILDING CONFIDENT CHANGEMAKERS THROUGH SCHOOL-BASED SOCIAL ACTION AND THE WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE
ALEXANDRA RYAN
KIDS SOLVING REAL WORLD PROBLEMS
GROWTH THROUGH LEADERSHIP
SUCCESSFUL FOR 30 YEARS
NOT WORK-HEAVY FOR TEACHERS!
THIS IS HOW CHANGE ACTUALLY HAPPENS
STUDENTS RAISED $6.5 MILLION LAST YEAR - A MOVEMENT THEY ARE MAKING THEIR OWN
WORKING ON SOLUTIONS FOR THE UNACCEPTABLE!
"" EVEN THOUGH IT'S HARD
A COMMITMENT
BRINGING SO MANY PRIORITIES TOGETHER IN A FLEXIBLE NETWORK
AGENCY
GOAL SETTING
Students Should be INSIDE THIS WORK!
CHARITIES WILL BE A MAJOR ENGINE FOR GLOBAL CHANGE
I WAS SCARED BUT...
IT CHANGED WHAT I THOUGHT OF MYSELF
READY TO GO ON TO A POSITIVE LIFETIME OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
NOW I KNOW I CAN DO HARD STUFF!
PRIDE
CONFIDENCE
WEARING THE CHANGE!
... I BELONG!
SKIN CULTURE
... TESTING OURSELVES
LEARNING A BROAD RANGE OF SKILL SETS
COLLABORATION
DIVERSE MEANINGFUL INVOLVEMENT
ROLES
ENGAGEMENT
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FROM SUN BEARS TO STARTUPS: DESIGNING INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING AROUND REAL CONSERVATION PROBLEMS
SIMON PETER MISSO-VENESS
WHAT CHANGES WHEN THE PROBLEM IS NO LONGER ABSTRACT
EMOTIONAL CONNECTION DRIVES ENGAGEMENT
... AND A SENSE OF THE WORLD AROUND IN SOLUTION-FINDING
TRANS-DISCIPLINARY PROJECT-BASED LEARNING
FACILITATING PURPOSE
BUILDING CAPABILITY
DESIGN THINKING
CONFIDENCE & AUTONOMY
TURNING CONCERN INTO ACTION
ACTIVE COLLABORATION
WHEN THE PROBLEM BECOMES REAL
I WAN'T TO BE AUTHENTICALLY INVOLVED
KNOWLEDGE IS SHAPED BY CULTURE
ETHICAL USES OF A.I.
AGENCY
AND ENCOURAGING AUTONOMY INCREASES AND CREATES TREMENDOUS ENGAGEMENT
I FEEL LIKE PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER THAN MYSELF
SUPPORTED BY STRUCTURE AND SCAFFOLD
CONNECTED
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HOW STRONG IS YOUR SCHOOL'S WELLBEING SYSTEM? a SCORECARD FOR SCHOOL LEADERS
DIANNE SUMMERS
VIC ROYAL COMMISSION 2021
"SCHOOLS are well placed to deliver MENTAL HEALTH & WELL BEING SERVICES
a BROAD RANGE of SERVICES
MICHELLE KUEH
COMMUNICATING
NOT WORKING IN ISOLATION
CONNECTING
COLLABORATIVELY DETERMINING WHAT NEEDS ATTENTION
THERE'S ROOM TO GROW
TRUE MULTI TIERED SUPPORT?
1
2
3
ARE THEY CONNECTED?
THE SCORECARD TAKES ALL THE LEARNINGS WE KNOW INTO ACCOUNT
THERE IS A DROP-OFF IN COMMITMENT / ENGAGEMENT AFTER 5 YEARS
INTEGRATE EXTERNAL SERVICES
DEVELOP THOSE NETWORKS
INFORMAL ADVANTAGES
WE HAVE A "CANCELLATION" ... COME ON IN!
AUTHENTIC STUDENT VOICE
DATA
HOW ARE WE CONNECTED WITH STUDENT WELLBEING?
STUDENT LED CHANGE THROUGH AUTHENTIC LEADERSHIP
ASSESS WHETHER THE STUDENTS NOTICED OR EXPERIENCED POSITIVE CHANGE
DO STAFF FEEL SUPPORTED AROUND TRAINING ACROSS ALL 3 TIERS?
SPACE FOR PARENTS, STUDENTS, TEACHERS TO BE SOCIAL
CONTINUALLY EVALUATING FOR AMAZING RESULTS
eg. 80% IMPROVEMENT
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UNLOCKING LEARNING: HOW SCHOOLS AND SPEACH PATHOLOGISTS COLLABORATION HOLDS THE KEY TO IMPROVING STUDENT OUTCOMES
Class ABC
MALATHI CORLUKA
EXPRESSIVE LANGUAGE
GRAMMATICAL FORMS
SENTENCE STRUCTURE
EXPOSURE TO LANGUAGE
READING TOGETHER
IS GREAT FOR LEARNING
WHAT DOES THE PICTURE MEAN
USE KEY WORDS TO BUILD ON
WORDS, SPEACH
SUPPORT YOUR STUDENTS
VISUALLY
ACROSS the BOARD
WHAT IS IT WE CAN DO TO HELP YOU IN YOUR CLASS ROOM?
COLLABORATION
INCLUDING PARENTS
EVERYTHING WE DO IS EVIDENCE-BASED & DATA-DRIVEN
BUILD CONFIDENCE IN THE FIRST LANGUAGE TO BETTER ENABLE UPTAKE OF OTHER LANGUAGES
LANGUAGE SKILLS UNDERPIN ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
We need these CONSIDERATIONS FOR OUR OLDER STUDENTS as well
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FROM NUMBERS TO NARRATIVES:
KNOWING YOUR STUDENTS: THROUGH DATA
PAUL MONTOURO
SCHOOLS PROVIDE US DATA EVERY YEAR
WE WANT TO UNDERSTAND HOW SCALING IMPACTS STUDENTS & RESULTS
KIM ELITH
AN INFINITE POTENTIAL FOR MEANING
"DON'T JUST THINK ABOUT IT AS DATA
"STORIES BEYOND THE DATA... THE VALUE BEYOND THE MATHS
MPC SERVER IS WHERE WE ARE GOING
TALK TO A.I.
HELLO!
LET'S REALLY LOOK AT HOW DATA DRIVES IMPROVEMENT FOR STUDENTS
SUNBURST CHART!
AGGREGATED PERFORMANCE DATA
HOW DID THE COURSE GO?
BREAKDOWN OF METRICS
-WHAT DID WE EXPECT THE STUDENT TO REALLY ACHIEVE IN YOUR COURSE?
"BASED ON OTHER SCHOOLS, THE STATE, ETC...
FORENSIC DEEP LEVEL GRANULAR
SCARY FAST ANALYSIS WITH ENDLESS MEANING
WE'VE DEVELOPED A SYSTEM THAT BRINGS ALL THE PIECES TOGETHER
HUMAN ELEMENT IS ALWAYS IMPERATIVE
EMPOWERMENT THROUGH PROACTIVE CONVERSATION
SEE IT THROUGH A SERIES OF PERSPECTIVES
SUBJECT MIX, HEAD, ETC...
IT LEADS TO INFORMED DISCUSSION WITH STUDENTS
"NOW WE CAN USE OUR PSYCHOMETRIC KNOWLEDGE TO PROVIDE SCHOOL-WIDE STATS
WHAT'S THE WHOLE BLOCK OF STUDENTS LOOKING LIKE?
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GROW GREAT RESOURCES ON THE WEB
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JOHN BLAKE
VEGETABLES FIRST, THEN DESSERT
STOLEN PHOTOGRAPHS FROM GOOGLE
... $60,000 FINE
HAVE A GOOD PROFORMA
COPYRIGHT & REFERENCING IS ALIVE
SITE YOUR SOURCES
TAKE OUT THE HYPERLINK
GRAPHIC MOVING IMAGES
.... KNOW YOUR STUDENTS
... MIGHT CAUSE A BAD REACTION FOR SOME!
HARD COPY, TIME AWAY, PAPER & MARKERS
WOW!
THE DIGITAL DIVIDE
WE ARE THE BRIDGE
TAP BACK INTO INFO IN MULTIPLE WAYS, MULTIPLE TIMES
RESEARCH TELLS US!
PUZZLES LIGHT UP THE BRAIN LIKE NOTHING ELSE
SCAFFOLDING UP TO HIGHER LEARNING
BUBBL.US GREAT FOR MIND MAPS
TAKE THE LABORIOUS CLICK-WORK OUT... MAKE IT SIMPLER & EASIER
MAKE VIDEOS SHORT AND SHARP
BE AWARE OF ADVERTISING
MIXKIT IS OK
... JUST WATCH THE ADS...
10-15 SEC VIDEO-TYPE CONTENT
WORD CLOUDS
· STUDENTS CAN ENTER THEIR 40 CHARACTERS
RHYME ZONE
· TEACH OUR STUDENTS TO CREATE POETRY
... NOT JUST WITH A.I.
MURAL MIRA CANVA PREZI
TIMERS -STOPWATCH.COM GREAT FOR KIDS WITH AUTISM
HAPPY BIRTHDAY
CNN SCROLLING TEXT
DON'T LEAVE IT ON ALL DAY
MOVING
CHOOSE YOUR LANGUAGE CAREFULLY AROUND DEATH
DON'T CALL IT HANGMAN
SUICIDE IS THE 2ND BIGGEST KILLER OF YOUNG MALES
YOU CAN USE GEN A.I. FOR GOOD
BE CREATIVE!


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FROM REACTIVE TO PROACTIVE: RETHINKING BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT IN TODAY'S CLASSROOMS
CASSANDRA RICHARDSON
WHAT'S ACTUALLY ON YOUR MIND?
THINK ABOUT THAT DERAILING DISRUPTIVE STUDENT
"IS IT THE PROBLEM OR THE CLUE?
WE ARE EXPECTED TO REGULATE 30 GROWING NERVOUS SYSTEMS
EVERY TEACHER HOLDS A PIECE OF THE PUZZLE
"WHEN OURS ARE STRESSED BEFORE THE DAY EVEN STARTS
TEACHERS NEED TO FIND THE MISSING PIECES
IT'S ASKING QUESTIONS
LET'S MOVE TO UNDERSTAND WHAT'S GOING ON
THIS DIDN'T BEGIN RIGHT NOW IN THE CLASSROOM
WE DON'T NEED TO WIN AGAINST BEHAVIOUR
SEEING THE STORY UNDERNEATH
LONG AFTER, THEY'LL REMEMBER WHO MADE THEM FEEL THEY BELONGED AT SCHOOL
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CRITICAL & CREATIVE THINKING: Still Essential in the Age of AI



ALICE VIGORS
TUMUT PUBLIC SCHOOL

LEARNING IS A PRODUCT OF THINKING

WHAT'S GOING ON WHEN WE THINK?



META COGNITION

WHAT DOES IT FEEL LIKE?

CRITICAL THINKING

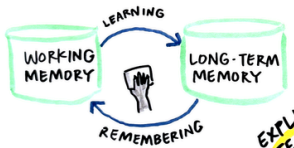
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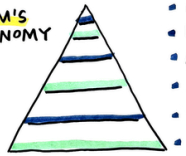
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AWARENESS

WILLINGHAM'S MODEL OF MEMORY:

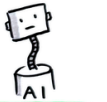


BLOOM'S TAXONOMY



- CREATING
- EVALUATING
- ANALYSING
- APPLYING
- UNDERSTANDING
- REMEMBERING

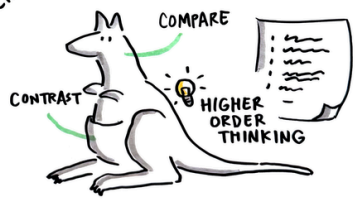
EXPLICIT TEACHING



- ANALYSIS
- DATA PROCESSING



- NUANCED JUDGMENT
- EMOTIONAL MATURITY



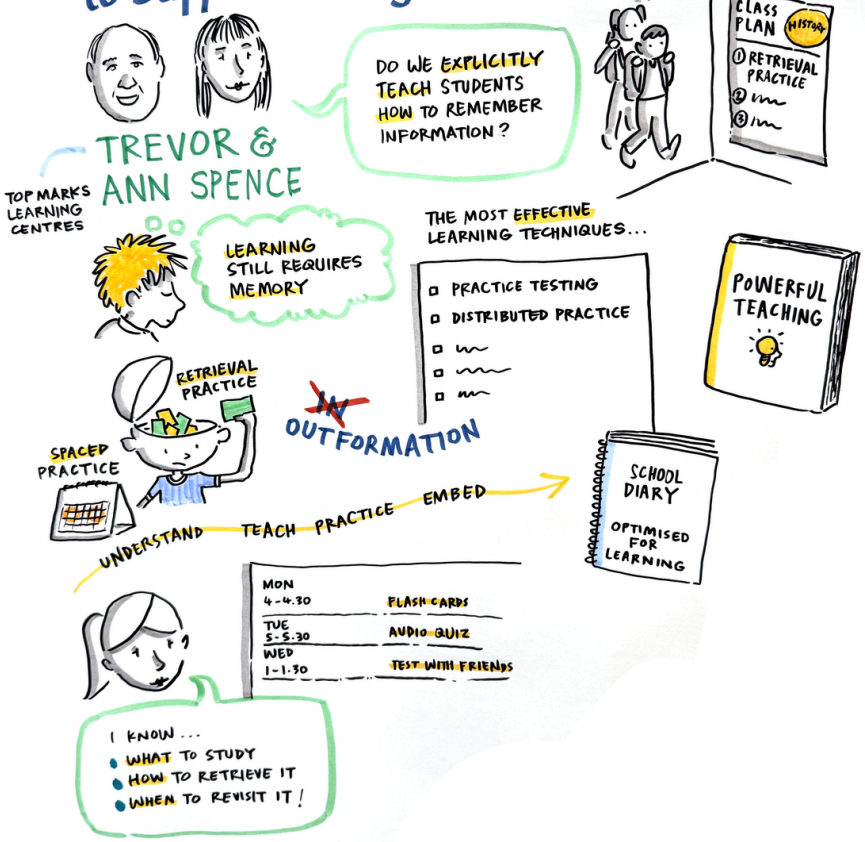
MODEL CREATIVE THINKING for STAFF and STUDENTS

AS TEACHERS WE MUST BE INTENTIONAL ABOUT SCAFFOLDING...

WHAT STUDENTS UNDERSTAND
- and -
HOW STUDENTS UNDERSTAND


GENERATIVE AI
AUSTRALIA'S EDUCATOR-LED AI REVOLUTION:
Sovereignty, Pedagogy, and the Future of Learning
INPUT
KNOWLEDGE
INTELLECT
OUTPUT
PERSONALITY
CHRIS MILLS
STRATEGENICS / ROCKET EDUCATION
GOOD INTENTIONS DON'T GUARANTEE GOOD OUTCOMES
CONNECTION
WHAT ROLE SHOULD SCHOOLS PLAY IN THE FUTURE?
SCHOOLS WERE DESIGNED FOR THE INDUSTRIAL AGE
DON'T YOU HATE IT WHEN TECHNOLOGY FALLS SHORT OF THE PROMISE?
...EXPENSIVE LATER
BIG TECH OFTEN BEHAVES LIKE A DRUG DEALER!
CHEAP NOW...
CULTURE
AI HAS DEMOCRATISED CHEATING...
STUDENTS ARE DISENGAGING (THANKS BIG TECH!)
BUT IT CAN'T TEACH ETHICS!
WHY WOULD I LISTEN TO THE TEACHER?
AI READINESS SURVEY
THE SKILLS STUDENTS NEED CANNOT BE TAUGHT IN THE CLASSROOM
COMMUNITY
I FEEL GOOD ABOUT MYSELF!
COLLABORATION
MORAL JUDGMENT
EMPATHY

BUILDING BETTER LEARNERS:
Using Cognitive Science to Support Study Success

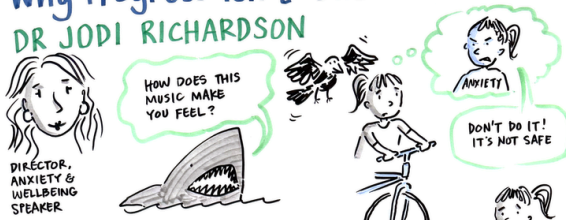


ANXIOUS MINDS, FUTURE CLASSROOMS:

Why Progress isn't One Size Fits All

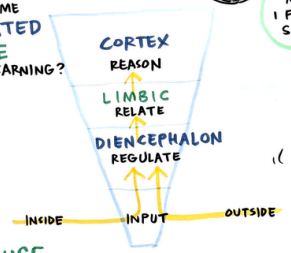
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DIRECTOR, ANXIETY & WELLBEING SPEAKER



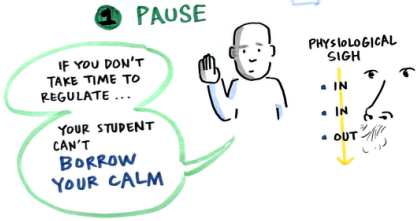


HOW CAN WE HELP YOUNG PEOPLE BECOME **MORE REGULATED** AND **RE-ENGAGE** WITH THEIR LEARNING?





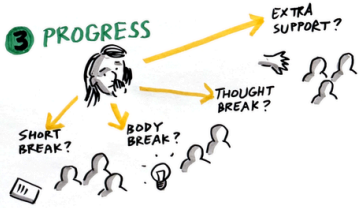
1 PAUSE



2 PERSPECTIVE



3 PROGRESS




CURIOSITY IN ACTION:
Why Hands-on Learning Matters More Than Ever
JESSICA YARROW
STREET SCIENCE
I LOVE SCIENCE!
PAPER
GOODIE BAG
INQUIRY BASED
ENGAGE
EXPLORE
EXPLORE
ELABORATE
EVALUATE
YUMI DEADLY MATHS PEDAGOGY
SCIENCE IS FUN!
THE BEST BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT TOOL IS AN ENGAGING LESSON
SIMPLE MATERIALS TO BUILD A SIMPLE MACHINE
WE SHOULDN'T FEAR FAILURE
THE BEST LEARNINGS!
I WISH I COULD TOUCH THOSE CLOUDS!
1 SPARK
CURIOSITY LOOP
2 TEST
3 CONTEXTUALISE
LET'S MAKE OUR OWN CLOUDS...
... AND TALK ABOUT
PRESSURE
WEATHER
CHEMISTRY
etc
FUN ISN'T FLUFF...
IT'S THE MECHANISM FOR IGNITING A SPARK!

TEACHER INTENT: AMPLIFIED

Designing Future-Ready Learning with AI & EdTech in K-12

BRETT WATSON
CAMPION EDUCATION



THE DATA CONFIRMS THAT EDTECH USE IS ON THE RISE...

...ACROSS DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE LEARNING JOURNEY

56% PLAN TO EXPAND

94% FEEL CONSTRAINED

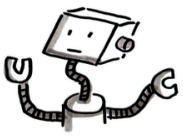


"NO TEACHER HAS TIME TO EVALUATE EVERYTHING."

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IDENTIFY	NAME	TEST	ENSURE FIT	NET BENEFIT?	TRUST WORTHY?
• What is the actual goal?	• Who are we supporting?	• Is it an improvement?	• Does it integrate well?	• Better overall?	• Is it sustainable



vs.



BUILDING A SCHOOL PLAYGROUND TO ENGAGE STUDENTS

that reduces behaviour incidents



ANTHONY HOCKEY
ST MARY'S SCHOOL
WILLIAMSTOWN

- TENSE
- ANXIOUS
- LONELY
- NOT VALUED

→ CONFLICT *in the* PLAYGROUND



BUILD COMMUNITY & WELLBEING **FIRST**
i.e. **PREVENTION**



ADDRESSING **LONELINESS** AND NEED FOR **CONNECTION**

WE WANTED...

BEAUTY — **INDIGENOUS CONNECTION** — **PLAY-BESIDE** — **SAFETY** — **IMAGINATIVE PLAY**





HORIZONTAL CLIMBING WALL



RUNNING LINE



MUSICAL SPACES

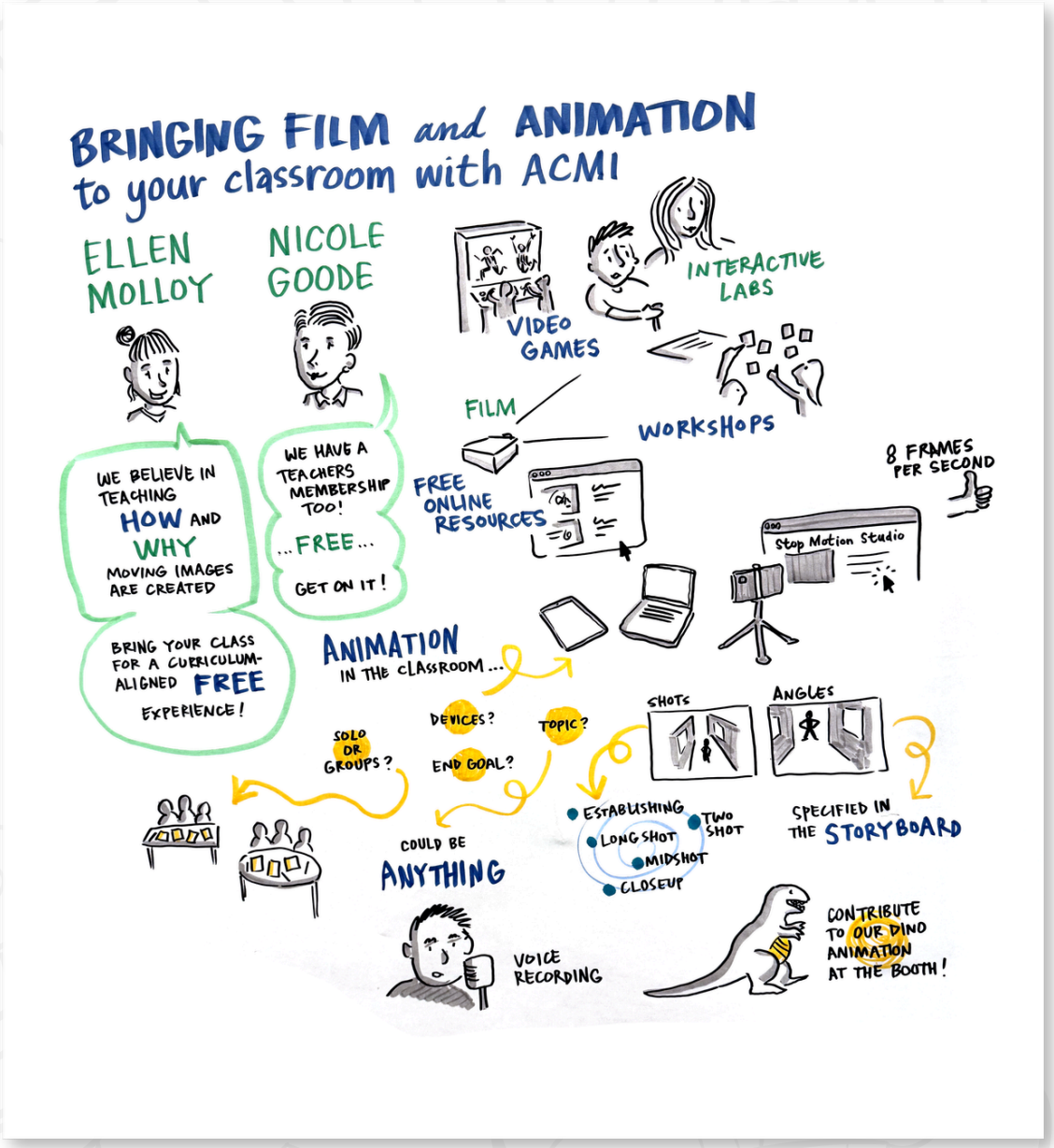


LARGE SANDPIT

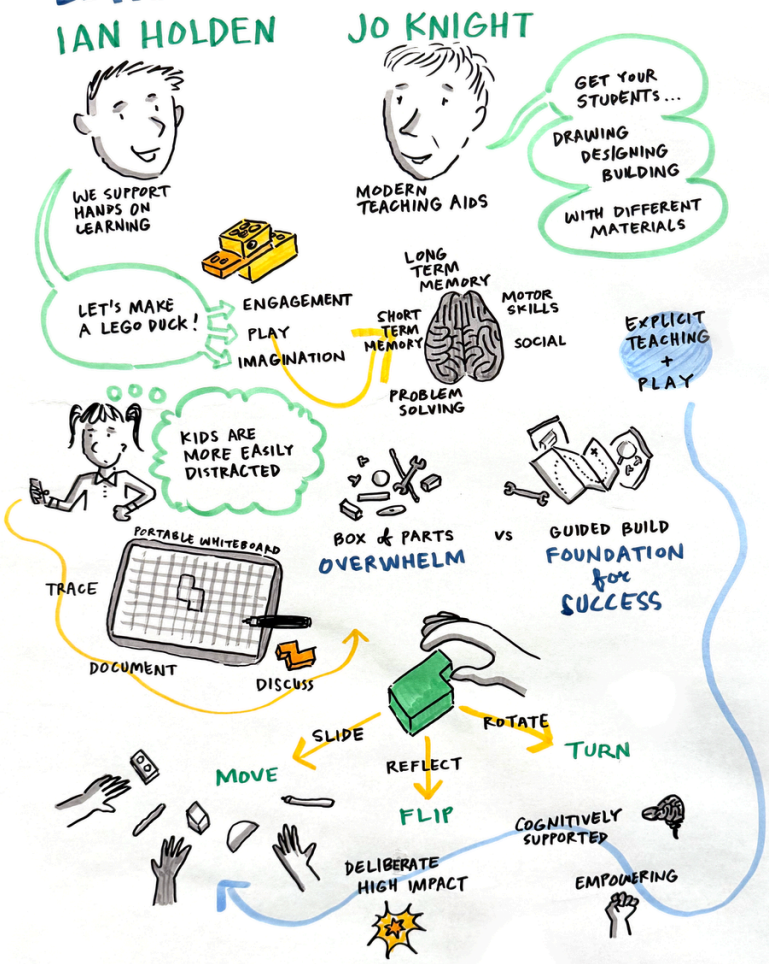


MURALS

THINK OF PLAYGROUNDS AS PLACES FOR CHILDREN TO ~~DO THINGS~~ **CONNECT**


BRINGING FILM and ANIMATION
to your classroom with ACMI
ELLEN MOLLOY
NICOLE GOODE
WE BELIEVE IN TEACHING HOW AND WHY MOVING IMAGES ARE CREATED
BRING YOUR CLASS FOR A CURRICULUM-ALIGNED FREE EXPERIENCE!
WE HAVE A TEACHERS MEMBERSHIP TOO!
...FREE...
GET ON IT!
VIDEO GAMES
INTERACTIVE LABS
FILM
WORKSHOPS
FREE ONLINE RESOURCES
8 FRAMES PER SECOND
Stop Motion Studio
ANIMATION IN THE CLASSROOM...
DEVICES?
TOPIC?
END GOAL?
SOLO OR GROUPS?
COULD BE ANYTHING
SHOTS
ANGLES
ESTABLISHING
LONG SHOT
TWO SHOT
MIDSHOT
CLOSEUP
SPECIFIED IN THE STORYBOARD
VOICE RECORDING
CONTRIBUTE TO OUR DINO ANIMATION AT THE BOOTH!

HANDS-ON LEARNING THROUGH AN EXPLICIT LENS



GOOD PROMPTING IS GOOD TEACHING :
Collaboration for the Future Classroom

ADRIAN LAM

PRESBYTARIAN LADIES COLLEGE



WHAT DO YOU MEAN? I FOLLOWED YOUR INSTRUCTIONS ?!!

CONTEXT IS OFTEN MISSING FROM AI PROMPTS

- CUSTOM WORKSHEET MAKER
- WEBSITE BUILDING IN FIGMA MAKE
- FULLY WORKED MATHS SOLUTIONS

$5x^2 + (x+y)(2x-7)$

⇒ FACTORISE

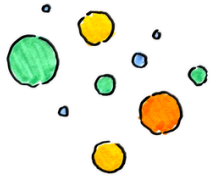
$5x^2 + 2x^2 + 2xy \ldots$

- LANGUAGE CONVERSATION PRACTICE PARTNER

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- ACADEMIC RESEARCH CITATIONS
- INTERACTIVE SIMULATIONS



EXPERIMENT WITH USING AI TO CREATE THINGS THAT COULDN'T BE **POSSIBLE!** PREVIOUSLY

EVOLVING CURRICULUM DESIGN:

Beyond the Teacher as Hunter-Gatherer

REBEKAH SHARROTT
TORCHWAY EDUCATION



THE TEACHER SHORTAGE ISSUE IS IMPACTING STUDENT OUTCOMES.



WHERE DO THE HOURS GO?

- ADMIN
- MARKING
- CURRICULUM PRODUCTION

CAPABILITY
CAPACITY

500 HOURS!



WE NO LONGER HAVE A RESOURCE SCARCITY PROBLEM...

~~COLLECTION~~

STRUCTURE

(WE'RE DRUNNING IN OPTIONS)



UM, MISS... I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS.

TEACHERS SHOULD HAVE TIME TO CREATE SPACE FOR THIS.

YOU'RE ALREADY INVESTING IN CURRICULUM...

CURRICULUM GOLDEN TICKET



...BUT THE COST IS HIDDEN

FROM HUNTER GATHERERS TO ARCHITECTS





FUTURE READY, SAFETY FIRST:
Redefining Child Protection in Education

MARINA TOAILOA
MUMMY
SAFETY
SECURITY
PROJECT



CHILD ABUSE IS A VOLUMES CRIME

40% OF OFFENDERS ARE EARLY LEARNING EDUCATORS

"A POLICY IS ONLY AS STRONG AS THE TEAM ON THE FLOOR ENFORCING IT."

WE TEACH STUDENTS ABOUT
- EMOTIONAL REGULATION
- BODY AUTONOMY
- BULLYING

AND THE POWER OF SPORT TO GET KIDS OFF DEVICES





CREATE A CULTURE WHERE IT IS SAFE TO SPEAK UP

SEE SOMETHING. SAY SOMETHING!



WELL DONE! OUR EMERGENCY DRILL IS UNDER 7 MINUTES!

GET LAW ENFORCEMENT TO AUDIT AND EDUCATE YOUR STAFF





EMPOWERING CHILDREN & EDUCATORS



BOOKS KITS TRAINING

IT TAKES ONLY 7 MINUTES TO GROOM A CHILD...

BUT 23 YEARS FOR A CHILD TO DISCLOSE

BODY PROTECTION TECHNOLOGY



ENHANCING LESSON DELIVERY WITH AI:

Curriculum-Aligned Planning Using Wayground

CARLI BERNARD
IG3 EDUCATION



CREATE A QUIZ

STUDENT VIEW

TEACHER VIEW

- COMPLETION RATE
- ACCURACY
- WHO'S TRYING TO CHEAT!

FROM SCRATCH

FROM THE CURRICULUM

FROM A DOCUMENT

AI READS IT → CREATES QUESTIONS!





STUDENT MANAGEMENT

- LEARNING DIFFICULTIES
- ESL
- # OF ATTEMPTS

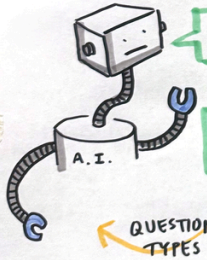
ACCOMMODATIONS

IMPORT FROM LMS

AI-ASSISTED
- CREATION
- EDITING
- MARKING



TEACHER HAS FINAL SAY



- ASSESSMENT
- FLASHCARDS
- RESOURCE LIBRARY

QUESTION TYPES

RUBRIC

GAMIFICATION


YOUR FIELD OF PLAY:
Get it Right the First Time
JARROD HILL SPORTENG
SURFACE OPTIONS
SIZE
SPORT
SPACE
WHO IS USING THE FACILITY?
COMPLIANCE
FIT FOR PURPOSE
WHOLE OF LIFE CYCLE
END OF LIFE DISPOSAL
UPFRONT / ONGOING
COMMUNITY
MAINTENANCE
AFTER HOURS?
POWER/LIGHTS?
ACRYLIC
DURABLE
MULTI-USE
CHEAP
NATURAL TURF
NATURAL
PREFERRED FOR SENIOR USE
COOL
HYBRID TURF
IMPROVED STABILITY
SURFACE TRACTION
DURABILITY
SYNTHETIC GRASS
REDUCED MAINTENANCE
FLEXIBLE
ALL-WEATHER USE
BE SURE TO UNDERSTAND THE GROUND CONDITIONS!

BUILDING A CULTURE OF UNDERSTANDING:

Exploring the Place of Inquiry and Explicit Teaching in Learning Environments



JUNE EVANS-CAULFIELD



INTERNATIONAL BACCELAUREATE

KATHY SAVILLE



THEY DON'T COMPETE...

...THEY COMPLEMENT EACH OTHER

THERE IS A **TENSION** AROUND THE BALANCING OF...

INQUIRY & EXPLICIT TEACHING

DEEPER LEARNING

INQUIRY

STANDARDS

EXPLICIT INSTRUCTION

CURRICULUM

STRUCTURE, CLARIFICATION

BOTH ARE **IMPORTANT**



HATTIE

IF YOU USE INQUIRY TOO SOON, THEY WON'T BE READY.





SURFACE LEARNING

DEEP LEARNING

TRANSFER

EXPLICIT INSTRUCTION ≠ **DIRECT** INSTRUCTION

ROOM FOR DIFFERENT STRATEGIES (incl. INQUIRY)

SCRIPTED

THE NEED FOR EXPLICIT INSTRUCTION IS A **GIVEN**.

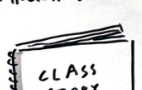


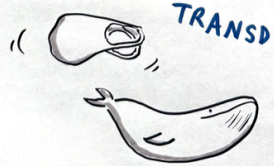
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I.B. APPROACH

- CONCEPTS
- CONTENT
- SKILLS

TRANSDISCIPLINARY LEARNING





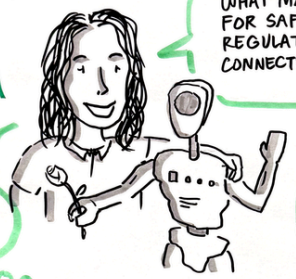


UNDERSTANDING & RESPONDING TO CHALLENGING BEHAVIOURS :

A Trauma-Informed Approach

SALI SHAYIA
CRAMLI

MORE INVOLVED PARENTS
SAFE SPACES
WELL-BEING DOGS



WHAT MAKES FOR SAFE, REGULATED, CONNECTED KIDS?

BEHAVIOUR IS COMMUNICATION

ASSUME EVERY CHILD HAS TRAUMA
(TRAUMA IS SOMETIMES SILENT)

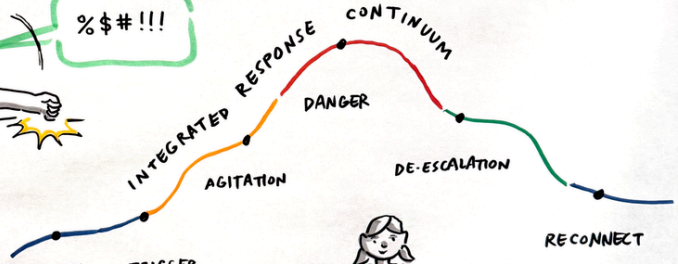


I'M SCARED OF LOOKING STUPID
I DON'T FEEL SAFE
I DON'T FEEL LIKE I BELONG

%$#!!!

PICK UP ON BEHAVIOUR CHANGES...

... INTERVENE EARLY TO DE-ESCALATE



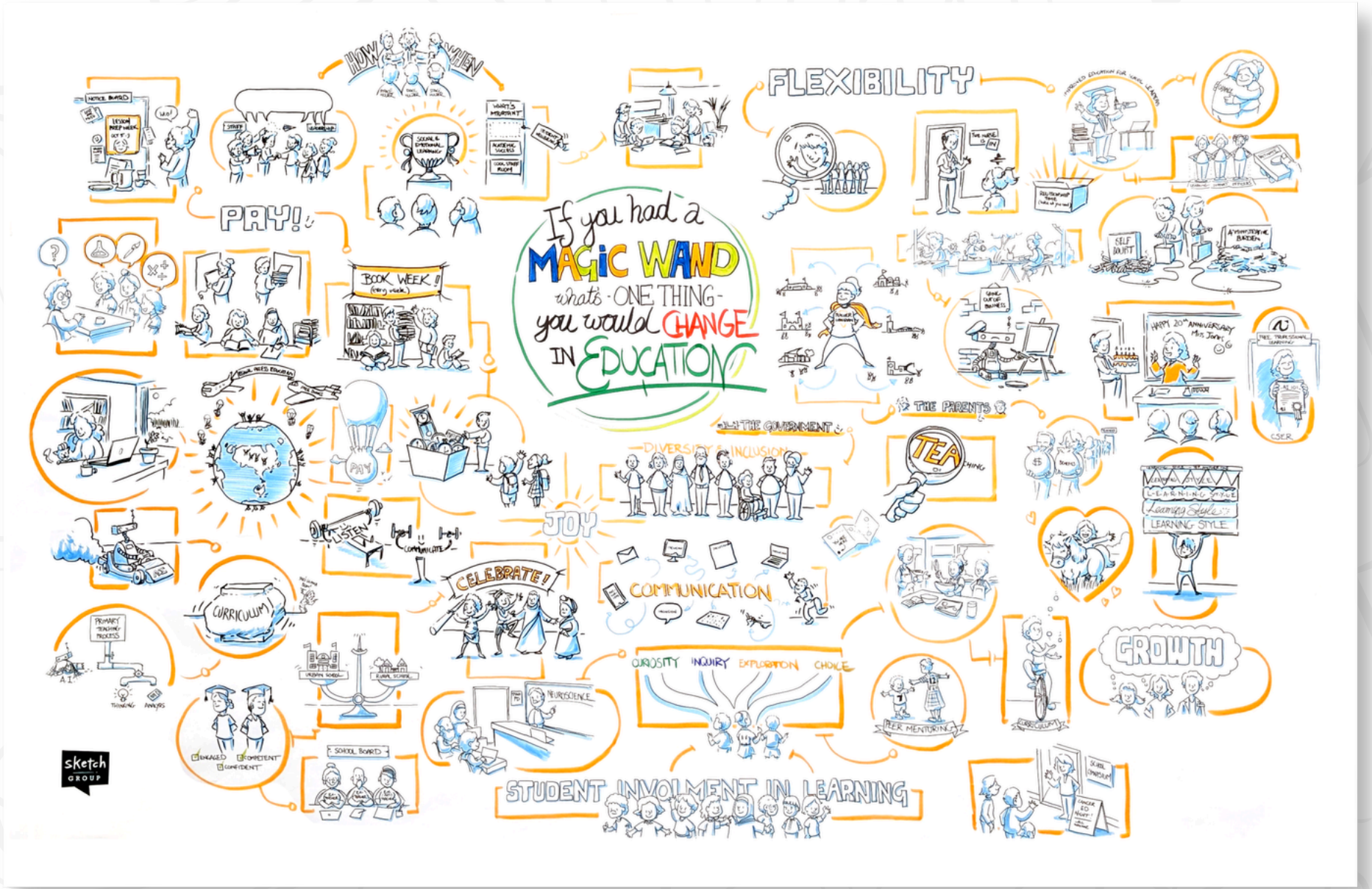


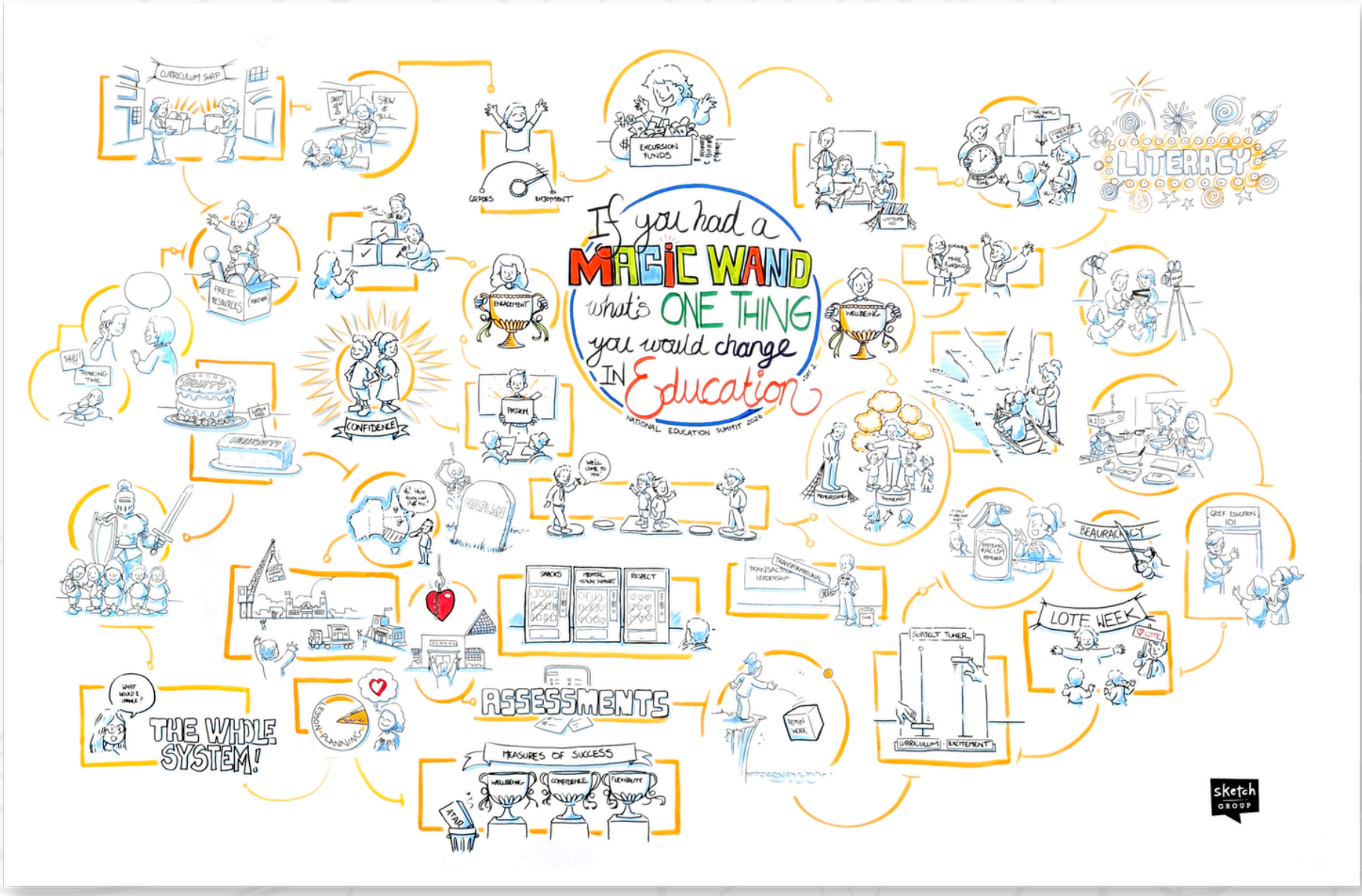
BUILDING **RESILIENT** YOUNG PEOPLE

3P
PREPARE
PREVENT
PROTECT

AID
AVOID
INTERVENE
DISTRACT

4RS
RECOGNISE
REMOVE
REGULATE
RETURN


If you had a MAGIC WAND what's ONE THING you would CHANGE IN EDUCATION
FLEXIBILITY
PAY!
JOY
COMMUNICATION
GROWTH
STUDENT INVOLVMENT IN LEARNING
CURIOSITY INQUIRY EXPLORATION CHOICE
THE GOVERNMENT
THE PARENTS
CELEBRATE!
CURRICULUM
NEUROSCIENCE
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ENJOYMENT
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LITERACY
FREE RESOURCES
ENGAGEMENT
WELLBEING
CONFIDENCE
PASSION
THINKING TIME
BIRTHDAYS
UNBIRTHDAYS
MAPLAW
WELCOME TO NSW
SMOKO
MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT
RESPECT
TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERSHIP
BEAURACRACY
GRIEF EDUCATION 101
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