

This sample Teacher's Book was developed by Michael Auden

It is a key component of the What's Right about Our School workshop.

Bring the workshop to your school

Michael has created a powerful workshop to improve the messages that parents and the public receive. By equipping teachers with strategies to communicate positive and informative messages about your school you will use your best marketing resource wisely. This workshop includes a session creating the most powerful marketing tool many schools can use – The Teacher Book

In the *What's right about our school* workshop your staff will learn to build a reservoir of information that shows the success of your school and reminds parents that yours is the right school for their child.

Equip staff to share good news stories about your school. Build their communication skills and provide communication vehicles that reach more parents. Give teachers skills and knowledge to be ambassadors for your school.

What's Right about Our School Workshop

Details

Duration - 90 minutes

Presenter - Michael Auden –

Director of Learning –

experienced teacher, author and workshop presenter to over 10,000 teachers throughout Australia.

Resources - Your school receives a CD library of resources for your school staff development library

Cost - \$750 inclusive

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Welcome to Michael Auden's 6th grade classroom

a safe, secure,
exciting place where
students can learn
the basics and...

- 1. think about things*
- 2. ask a lot of questions*
- 3. try new ideas*
- 4. learn from their mistakes*
- 5. build on their successes*
- 6. assume responsibility*
- 7. and have fun*

The basics and a whole lot more

WOW!

My name is Michael Auden.

I teach 6th grade at Bennetswood Primary School. My friends call me Max.

I prepared for teaching by attending Melbourne University, and the University of Tasmania. These universities granted my Bachelor, Masters, and Doctorate Degrees.

My initial training was in physical education and geography with a focus in primary education. I've been a teacher for over 20 years.

It seems as if I began student teaching yesterday. Now, twenty years later, I enjoy teaching just as much – maybe more! – than the day I started. I love working with children, and am proud of my profession. I believe I'm making a contribution to the future *every day*.

My colleagues often call me creative and caring. My students might add the word demanding. They're both right.

I'm married and have three children – two girls and a boy. We live by the ocean with our two dogs -- Zoe and Zak.

I enjoy a lot of things – swimming, reading, photography, tennis, gardening, picnics, and collecting of all kinds. I like doing things with my family more than anything. Being with my students is a close second.

We're going to have a great year!

Here are some of the things we expect to cover in 6th grade

In language arts students will... experience a variety of literature • read novels, short stories, legends, poems, and biographies • identify fact and opinion • correctly spell grade level words • use reference and resource materials • sharpen their writing skills • edit and publish their writing

- listen critically and constructively • use their reading, writing, and speaking skills in everything they do

In mathematics students will... increase their multiplication and division skills • be introduced to long division • solve equations with missing signs • add and subtract decimals • use calculators for addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division • recognize types of angles • apply maths skills to real life situations

- construct bar, line, and picture graphs

In science students will... observe the forces that affect the rate of change • recognize that objects do not have to touch to exert force on one another • explore the properties of magnetism • learn that energy takes many forms • discover how atmospheric change affects the earth's weather and our lives • observe how living things interact with each other and their physical environment

In history and social studies, students will... learn the role that the Eureka Stockade played in Australian history • learn about the history, geography, topography, and government of NSW

- learn about important New South Welshmen, past and present • become aware of civic responsibilities • learn how to resolve conflict

Being a partner in your child's education is as easy as A, B, C

A. Be involved.

Know what your child is studying. Keep yourself tuned in. (We have a weekly parent letter and a student-generated web page – www.auden.com – to keep you posted.

B. Don't be a "wonderer"

- wondering what's going on or wondering why something is happening. Call. Ask a question, express a concern, suggest a solution, or share an idea. You can reach me at school (9784.9352). The best time is between 7:30 and 8 a.m. or between 1 and 2 p.m. You can e-mail me anytime at mauden@edu.aus.au or you can call me at home (9784.9353) after 7 p.m. any evening.

C. Understand

that sixth graders do have homework. Don't ask your child if there's homework. Ask your child what today's homework assignment is and when he or she will have it completed. Ask if you can help. Then check to see that the homework is done.

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