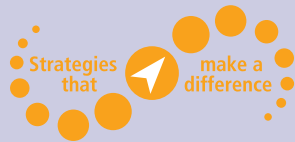


# Solution-focused Collaboration



Solution-focused collaboration between parents and teachers works on building solutions together based on a strength based approach.



- A positive approach is to assume that part of the solution may already be happening. Often careful observation can give clues about what works.
- Focusing on seeking solutions and highlighting what is already being done is a way of recognizing parents for their skills and strengths in working with their child.

Some questions that can help inform the search for positive solutions and build on students strengths:

- What are your child's strengths and interests?
- Describe successes your child had in school.
- Describe any challenges your child had in school.
- What are your child's learning needs for this school year?
- What type of learner is your child? How does your child learn best?
- Does your child display any behaviours that are of concern to you? If so, please explain how you deal with this type of behaviour at home.
- What are your goals and hopes for your child this year?
- Where do you see your child five years from now?
- Is there any other information that could help us gain a better understanding of your child?
- Are there any specific concerns that you would like us to address at this meeting?

