



Collaborative Strategies - some ideas to try!

CONVERSATIONAL STARTERS:

- “Can I help?”
- “Would you like me to ... ?”
- “May I try something with your class?”
- “May I do an observation of student skills, and feed back to you?”
- “Did you know about ... ?”

REGULAR, DAY TO DAY STRATEGIES:

- Email contacts lists - compile them and use them wisely
- Targeted sharing of good sites, new resources, Web 2.0 tools - follow up and offer to demonstrate
- Go to the staff room regularly at break times to network and be available
- Take an interest in professional development being offered by other staff - this can be another door opener
- Talk with Head of Departments about your buying plan related to their curriculum area

BIG PICTURE OR POLITICAL STRATEGIES:

- Get management on board
- Report and present to your governing body
- Link reports to school strategic plan, literacy initiatives, school buzz words
- Attend all staff meetings, even if you have to engineer invitations initially
- Target curriculum meetings and/or leaders to form alliances
- Know who the movers and shakers are, if you don't - find out and then cultivate strong relationships
- Be on ICT committees, take part in Smart Board initiatives, anything relevant that allows you to be visible outside the walls of the library