

My Love For Nei-Li Primary School

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My love for Nei- Li Primary School began on my very first day of the new school year. I started my teaching journey on the first day of classes. I had missed the meetings and preparations, but that didn't dilute my excitement. I arrived at school bright and early on that Monday morning. The campus was completely foreign to me, but the kind greetings of the staff at the gate made me feel welcomed. I was lucky to have one of my colleagues guide me to the administrative office where I was introduced to the kind administrative staff. I was then guided to my office and introduced to the rest of my colleagues. I met my second grade 'little friends' that day. Their little faces reflected my excitement and their eyes indicated much joy and curiosity. It was at that moment that I knew I would love it here. And so, my journey began.

The transition from being an English as a Second Language (ESL) Teacher to my new post was quite interesting. English was no longer the focus of my planning and objectives. I was now teaching specific subjects. I traded in my Grammar, Writing, and Reading hats and now donned new subject apparel. I was now teaching Physical Education, Life, and Art. To be successful in my lesson planning and instruction, I had to dedicate a considerable amount of time to research and seeking the advice of my colleagues, both local and foreign. This, in itself, was an adventure as I gladly accepted teaching advice and tried to incorporate as much auditory and tactile activities as I could.

Working at this institution has assisted me in improving my interpersonal relationship and time management skills. It has taught me to

be more patient and more accommodating. Most importantly, it has reminded me of the reasons why I chose to pursue a career in teaching all those years ago.

My teaching experience at Nei-Li Primary school was challenging yet rewarding. Without a doubt, the rewards outweighed any challenges that I might have faced. Big hugs, friendly greetings, hearty giggles, fun dances, precious smiles, and more high-fives than I can count. These are just a few of my fondest memories of teaching my new little friends. Oh, what an experience I've had thus far! I'm excited to see what the next year of my teaching career brings.