CONNECT AND DEVELOP POSITIVE RELATIONSHIP

Create an environment that reinforces safety, e.g. Breakfast Club
Bonding activities between staff and students
Praise, even for minor successes/achievements
Buddy system/mentoring system
Get to know and engage with student interests, e.g. Star Wars, Lego
Acknowledge them in the morning "Good to see you at school today!"
Morning Circle
Establish Student interests
Be consistent and predictable
Outdoor activities
Have a Teacher-mentor
Staff recognise, label and give feedback to students regarding
emotional states
Say hello, a nod, wink, small, "are you ok?", shake boys' hands in the
morning, give hi-fives
Compliment students
Give unconditional positive regard
Active listening
Get to know student "triggers" to pre-empt an "episode"
Being there – giving your time, being available, even if you have to
take time and get back to a student later
Remember names
Be fair and firm
Modelling character strengths and positive behaviour and
communication
Positively reinforce the good behaviours as much as possible and state
the good behaviour
Allow students to shine
Provide them with jobs/leadership opportunities
Show trust
Give praise and recognition when it is appropriate
Token economy with individual and whole class rewards, Dojo points,
"warm and fuzzy jar", rewards
Communicate and form relationships with parents and carers
Remembering what students have told you about themselves
Reminding students that we as teacher are human too, opening up
yourself (within reason)

Making the first point of contact positive for kids as they arrive everyday
Allow students to present PowerPoints on their special interests
Playing games (sport/board games)
Special interest clubs
Circle Time (Friendship/Belonging Sections)
Have a 'Playmate spot' on the playground where students can find a
friend and game to play
Positive Tracking (See: Friendly Kids, Friendly Classroom)