



## Approach with Openness

*“The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes but in seeing with new eyes,” - Marcel Proust.* An invitation to approach with openness promotes spacious thinking for the emergence of new concepts, thoughts or ideas. It is an ability to accommodate and welcome otherness.

### **This Spiritual Capability may involve:**

- Managing surprises
- Thinking of another way or alternatives
- Trusting other’s contributions as valuable
- Seeing from another perspective or possibility from outside your own comfort zone
- Being empathetic
- Looking for the particularity or uniqueness in another’s story or journey
- Realising and welcoming the possibility for growth and change.

### **Examples of educators promoting this capability could be when they:**

- Invite dialogue
- Provide times for silence and for listening
- Demonstrate respect for openness to diversity
- Provide opportunities for encountering and embracing the ‘other’
- Encourage wondering about one’s own and other people’s perspectives.