Building Relationships

Each week, select a box at random.

Use the prompt to help build a positive relationship between the school and parish religious education programs.

Students: Write a riddle or joke on a piece of paper and leave it on your desk. See if the SOR students can solve it!	Teachers: Ask for the names and birthday month of the SOR students in your room. Create a card for them.	School Leaders: Create an Ambassador Group or have Student Council greet SOR students at the door and help them find their classroom.	Teachers: Have a welcome binder that includes any needed passwords (e.g. Wifi), locations, directions to the bathroom, and so forth!
Teachers: Next time your class leads Mass, include SOR students and families in the intentions.	Teachers: Setup a pen pal program between school and SOR students. Leave letters, notes, cards, or drawings on the desks.	Students: Think of something funny that happened today. Draw a comic to share with SOR!	School Leaders: Invite DREs to the school's next faith formation or professional development day.
School Leaders: Have a reception in the evening or on the weekend so students can meet their SOR counterparts.	Teachers: Identify an area in the classroom where SOR is welcome to leave books, pens, and other materials.	Teacher: Make a welcome sign and have all of the students sign it. Encourage SOR students to sign it as well.	Students: Leave an inspirational quote or Bible verse on your desk to share.
Teachers: Write a welcome message on the board. Invite students to sign their names.	School Leaders: Designate a bulletin board in the hallway for SOR. Encourage listing students' names and pictures.	Teachers: Ask the DRE to share a classroom floorplan. During the last 5 minutes of class, have students rearrange the furniture to meet SOR needs.	School Leaders: Have a special event coming up? Leave flyers on the classroom desks, specifically inviting SOR families to join!
Students: Write the first line of a prayer. Leave it for the SOR student to add to. Go back and forth, line by line, until you have a prayer that you can share.	Students: Write down 10 questions you would like the SOR student to answer about themselves. Include your answers to the questions., too!	School Leaders: Have a user login (lwill work) for the DRE and SOR volunteers so they can use the screens.	Teachers: Create a "happy to share" container with extra supplies that SOR may need (e.g. pens, wipes, paper).