



Aldinga Beach Children's Centre

for Early Childhood
Development and Parenting

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GUIDING CHILDREN'S BEHAVIOUR POLICY

Our Centre will use restorative practices that promote, safety, co-operation and respect to maximize learning opportunities for all. Everyone has the right to feel physically and emotionally safe. We believe everyone has the right to feel safe all the time. We know that all children are competent and capable learners.

We guide children using evidence based practices including Circle of Security, Marte Meo, Restorative Practices, Trauma Informed Practices and mindfulness.

In our Centre we promote

- ❖ Respect and care for others
- ❖ Sharing and taking turns
- ❖ Cooperation and team work
- ❖ Being friendly and a good friend
- ❖ Talking and listening
- ❖ Care for the environment and resources
- ❖ Communicating needs and expressing emotions

Behaviours which require our guidance, support and strategies includes

- ❖ Dangerous actions which hurt others or damage property
- ❖ Hitting, kicking, pinching, spitting or biting
- ❖ Name calling, swearing, bullying, or exclusion

Staff will

- ❖ Be mindfully aware of where the children are and what they are doing
- ❖ Be positive, restorative and consistent
- ❖ Develop with the children rules and expectations of behavior

A range of strategies will be used and promoted to support and guide children

- ❖ Re direction of the play or the child
- ❖ Use of clear, positive language
- ❖ Provision of clear boundaries and expectations
- ❖ Choices
- ❖ At no time will physical punishment be used
- ❖ Being with to support de-escalating

Some children may sometimes need a quiet space

Problem solving, negotiation and self help skills will be part of the daily program.

Staff will work with the family and the child to develop a learning plan. Advice and support from other agencies or professionals may be sought.

Remember

We have parenting groups, programs and counselors who can support families –
We encourage everyone to be involved.

The Department for Education and Child Development (DECD) has a parent helpline 1800 222 696 and a helpful website

National Quality Standards 5.2.2