



Philosophy Statement

We believe every child deserves access to a high-quality preschool program, establishing the groundwork for a lifetime of well-being and learning. At the core of our philosophy is the commitment to implementing exceptional practices that ensure every child, regardless of their background or abilities, can engage in meaningful learning and play every day at our kindergarten. We recognise children as competent and capable learners with inherent potential. With high expectations for each child, we foster an environment that nurtures positive beliefs and dispositions. We acknowledge the profound influence of family in a child's growth and learning, knowing families are children's primary and most significant educators. We are committed to fostering collaborative relationships with families and encouraging their active participation in decision-making processes for both their children and the preschool.

Our core values:

- **Partnerships with Families:** We actively collaborate with families, recognising and respecting their diverse backgrounds, cultures, and perspectives. Authentic partnerships form the foundation for our shared commitment to children's learning.
- **Relationships with Children:** We prioritise creating trusting, nurturing, and reciprocal relationships with every child, fostering an environment where they feel safe, secure, and valued.
- **Valuing Individual Backgrounds and Cultures:** We embrace the diversity within our programs, recognising and celebrating the individual backgrounds and cultures of our families. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives are integral to our inclusive approach.





Our beliefs guide our actions:

- **The Right to Play:** We support every child's right to play, recognising its vital role in fostering creativity, exploration, and holistic development.
- **Safe and Secure Environment:** Children have the right to feel safe and secure, and we prioritise the creation of a high-quality, rich environment that is accessible to each child.
- **High Quality Programs:** We provide a high-quality preschool program that nurtures the holistic development of every child, fostering a foundation for a lifetime of learning and well-being.
- **Development of Strong Relationships:** We prioritise the development of strong, nurturing, and respectful relationships with children and families.
- **Children's Agency and Contribution:** We provide space for children to exercise agency, encouraging their active participation in shaping their own learning experiences.
- **Continuous Professional Development:** We continually develop our skills and knowledge, ensuring high-quality, evidence-based practices.
- **Individualised Programming:** We document, analyse, and program for all children, setting individual and group goals, with a focus on long, extended periods of play.
- **Framework for Learning:** We ensure each child's progress aligns with the approved framework - Belonging, Being, Becoming (EYLF).
- **Community Engagement:** We work in partnerships with families, the community, and professionals, sharing knowledge and engaging in collaborative decision-making.
- **Environmentally Responsibility:** We make environmentally responsible decisions in our practices.

Childrens Voice:

Kindy is a special place for children, where they place an emphasis on play, friendship, and exploration. The playground and outdoor environment is a favourite spot, providing a space for fun and outdoor adventures. The teachers play a crucial role, being not only kind and helpful but also actively engaging with the children in play. The sense of safety and the vast outdoor area where they can run freely contributes to a positive experience. Children seek opportunities to explore, highlighting the importance of curiosity and discovery at kindergarten. Children state playing and interacting with friends is important to them, creating a social and enjoyable environment that makes kindy a place they look forward to.

Family Voice:

Families value a preschool program that prioritises positive, safe, and nurturing relationships between their children and educators. They emphasise the importance of inclusive practices that create a welcoming environment for all. A fun and engaging space for learning and play is highly valued, as well as an approach that emphasises play-based learning. Transparency in communication and processes is key for families, ensuring they are well-informed and involved in their child's preschool experience. Families appreciate a program that provides support, recognising the significance of a collaborative and supportive educational journey for their children.

