## COMMUNICATION AND INVOLVEMENT

Each child is allocated a note pocket. Information are placed in your child's note pocket on a regular basis. Other information about learning is displayed around the kindergarten, including the individual work of children. We believe that celebrating success is very important.

Arrangements for alternative modes of communication - for example, when parenting is shared or when one parent or carer isn't able to access the preschool - can be easily made by discussing your needs with staff. If staff are not available for an informal discussion, please let us know of an alternative time that is convenient for you. You are welcome to discuss a wide range of matters, like your child's development, the preschool's educational program, health matters or behaviour support for example. Often families like to find out more about their children and how they learn in a "play-based program". We can provide information on the many areas in which children develop and the reasons why this development is important.

It is also very important for us hear from you. Information from home is invaluable, as it allows us to know YOUR child better. We welcome your involvement. You may want to stay and read to children, help children with table activities or share a skill(s) with us. Please talk to us about opportunities for you to share your knowledge, skills and time with our preschool. If you would like to join our weekly cooking program, spend some time gardening or read stories with children we would love for you to be involved.

## **Governing Council:**

The Governing Council works in partnership with the preschool team to ensure the smooth running of the centre. It is a friendly group of parents who meet twice a term to discuss preschool priorities, financial matters, facilities, possible preschool functions, and curriculum directions. It is an excellent avenue to gain an understanding of how the preschool operates while making some good friends along the way. Governing council members and office bearers are elected at the Annual General Meeting. However, members may elect to join at any time during the year.