



# OUR PHILOSOPHY

HAWKER CHILDHOOD SERVICES CENTRE



**We believe childhood is a special time.**

**We provide a physically and emotionally safe environment for children.**

**We nurture relationships with each child to ensure positive self concept and confidence develops to enhance effective communication, social skills and learning.**

**We give children opportunities to communicate and to seek information about their needs.**

**We provide a stimulating and challenging environment appropriate to the needs of the individual child through play and discovery as well as explicit teaching and learning.**

**We aim to foster a positive approach to learning by providing opportunities for self-direction, to try new things and to have fun.**

**We encourage children to be aware of and take responsibility for their immediate and wider environment.**

**We recognise the diversity of family structure, values and culture within our preschool and are committed to an inclusive curriculum.**

**We acknowledge the need for staff to be friendly, approachable and accessible to ensure parents and staff work together for mutual benefit.**

**We endeavour to reflect an attitude of anti-bias to gender and culture.**

**We acknowledge the necessity for a close link between the preschool and local school to ensure a successful transition from preschool to school.**

**We endeavour to provide flexible services to accommodate the specific needs of each child and their family.**

**We believe staff training is integral to the provision of a high quality program and service.**

**We promote healthy eating policies in line with department regulations to ensure children maintain a healthy lifestyle.**

**Our preschool community values honesty, integrity, respect and trust.**

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