

Programming – What will my child do at the Centre?

Children grow and learn best in a safe and caring environment. We provide an environment which enables a holistic approach to learning which promotes high self-esteem and strengthens individual identity. Staff will use the routines, planned activities and child initiated play as learning experiences.

We recognise and value the unique qualities of each child and the diversity of family backgrounds. Staff will meet regularly to discuss and plan for each individual child and for their group. Individual Learning Plans and developmental progress are regularly recorded for each child, and staff will create opportunities to share these with each child's family.

At Kalaya Children's Centre we have a particular focus on Aboriginal Cultures and welcome family participation at the Centre. We feel it is vital to our children's wellbeing that we work in partnership with families and community. Through play, staff will continually support and challenge children with interactions of the highest quality.

We believe learning takes place through exciting, challenging and creative play experiences in a warm family environment. Routines include times for group play, individual play, eating, sleeping, toileting and cleaning up. Planned activities will include indoor and outdoor learning, times for problem solving, creative and imaginative play, music, stories, and physical activities both indoors and outdoors. Water play and "messy" play is a regular part so, we discourage families sending children in their "good or best" clothes.