

## "This place is for becoming good, better, bigger and stronger"

# Philosophy statement

### Our Vision

Ngura Yadurirn Children and Family Centre is a safe, supportive, respectful, compassionate, inclusive and engaging place to be. We nurture a sense of belonging for all children, families and staff. Partnerships and relationships are created together through staff, children, family and community education and learning. We will always aspire to provide a socially just environment that values the identity of our community.

With a focus for children in the early years and their families we provide a holistic, multi-agency service approach to working collaboratively to promote children's lifelong learning, health and wellbeing. Together we will all become better, bigger and stronger.

Our Centre values are:

Relationships
Respect, Trust and Confidentiality
Belonging
Inclusivity
Kindness and Courage
High expectations and Professionalism for all
Sustainability

#### Children

We value each child as unique, competent and capable learners who bring their own experiences and identity. We believe meaningful, inclusive learning occurs when children's ideas are respected and built on whenever possible. When children's ideas and interests are followed we are fostering lifelong dispositions for learning such as curiosity, resilience, persistence and resourcefulness. We are responsive to children and their individual needs and provide them quality time in a stimulating, inclusive, play based environment to learn and be challenged.

#### **Families**

We acknowledge families as children's first educators. Educators and families come together through mutual trust, respect and open communication, learning about culture and family from each other. Staff connect with families and community to value the diversity of each family. We value family culture, family structure, lifestyle, language, beliefs and kinships. We aim to build supportive, trusting relationships, to develop a sense of belonging to the Centre and community.

#### Communities

We consistently commit to building a sense of community within our Centre, whilst valuing the role and importance of our wider community. Aboriginal culture and cultural diversity are respected and valued in our Centre. We professionally collaborate in the best interest of families and keep children at the heart of our work within the Centre and in community.