

# Renmark Children's Centre: Our philosophy

Renmark Children's Centre is an integrated services site that is committed to the wellbeing, health, care and education of all children, families, staff and members of our community.

Through consultation, we have established our core values to be:

*respect partnerships persistence accountability.*

We value and promote a sense of ownership through collaboration and participation which maximises positive learning outcomes for all.



**We believe that each child is individual, unique and important, and has the right to develop to their full potential by:**

- ◆ providing a curriculum based on 'Belonging, Being, Becoming' that allows children to explore, imagine, create, problem solve, develop independence, socialise, have fun, play often and learn,
- ◆ providing a high quality, supportive and accessible, care and educational environment that caters for each child and family's needs,
- ◆ providing opportunities for children and their families to become involved in centre programs and services,
- ◆ providing opportunities for children and their families to develop stable and caring relationships with staff and others,
- ◆ respecting and valuing the cultural and social diversity of children and their families.

**We believe that the staff are one of the centre's most valuable resources. In order to provide a high quality program, we aim to:**

- ◆ provide job satisfaction,
- ◆ value the skills and knowledge that each individual staff member brings with them,
- ◆ respect diversity of staff backgrounds and experiences,
- ◆ encourage and provide ongoing professional development opportunities,
- ◆ maintain a safe and supportive working environment.

**We believe that parents and families are the child's first educators and we aim to:**

- ◆ welcome parents and family members with respect and sensitivity,
- ◆ encourage communication between staff and parents and carers,
- ◆ respond to individual family needs,
- ◆ recognise and respect the diversity of families,
- ◆ create, support and encourage involvement and participation including governance,
- ◆ provide information about other services available in the local community.

**We believe that the centre is a valuable community resource and as such we aim to:**

- ◆ build relationships with other community agencies and advocate for families in our community,
- ◆ provide an accessible, flexible and high quality service in response to changing community needs,
- ◆ promote respect for and pride in our immediate environment and encourage good environmental practice in the broader community.