



PHILOSOPHY

We recognise the importance of early childhood education in establishing the foundations of life by supporting children's experiences of being, belonging and becoming.

BEING:

- We believe that children are **capable and competent** and learn best through consistent, connected and trusting **interrelationships** with each other, their families, educators and the community
- We acknowledge early childhood as a unique time in life **to inspire awe and wonder** about the world
- We create a warm atmosphere where each child is **nurtured, loved and valued**
- We provide **unhurried time to play** in environments that are **inspiring, challenging, interesting and beautiful**
- We design programs that support **each child's individual dispositions, abilities, interests, strengths and needs**
- We encourage children to express themselves and their ideas through **many languages** such as drawing, painting, music and drama

BELONGING:

- We foster strong, inclusive and respectful **relationships** between staff, parents, children and the community that support the principles of anti-bias and social justice
- We recognise the Preschool's potential to strengthen the community by playing a significant role in providing **leadership and advocacy for early childhood**
- We recognise that the Wiradjuri people are the original custodians of our land and endeavour to **raise understanding of Aboriginal culture and history** through respectful connections with Aboriginal people

BECOMING:

- We are committed to life-long learning and **continuous improvement**
- We invest in **passionate and highly motivated staff** and a professional environment that encourages reflection, collegiality, teamwork and partnerships
- We aim to foster an **active community** that promotes a sustainable future for our shared world

We undertake to abide by the Australian Early Childhood Code of Ethics, the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and to be guided by the principles and practices outlined in the Early Years Learning Framework and the National Quality Standards.