



We acknowledge the Kurna people as the traditional custodians of the lands and waters where our centre is located and recognise their continuing connection to country.  
We pay our respects to Elders past and present and future , and extend that respect to all Aboriginal peoples.

## **PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT**

### **We believe that children will learn best through play in a safe, supportive and challenging environment**

We support children's learning and development when we :

- Value the child's home, family, cultural and community experiences and the influence they have on each child's learning
- Build children's confidence, wellbeing, sense of belonging and identity
- Encourage the dispositions for learning - we encourage children to be purposeful and persistent, curious, resourceful, communicative, cooperative and confident

### **We believe in building strong partnerships with families to support the best outcomes for children**

We build strong connections with families when we:

- Acknowledge and respect families role as the first educators of their children
- Respect the diverse backgrounds of all families that are part of our community and learn from the rich cultural backgrounds of our families and their children
- Support families in a shared goal to achieve the best learning outcomes for their child

### **We believe in developing an inclusive and supportive community for families**

We do this when we:

- Support families to have a sense of belonging and connectedness to our Children's Centre community that will help strengthen the capacity of families
- Provide a friendly, safe and nurturing environment for children, families and groups within our community that promotes inclusivity and wellbeing of all families