

Centre Philosophy 2017: C&K Moorooka Community Kindergarten

The team at C&K Moorooka Community Kindergarten believe that children are competent, capable and unique individuals. They bring to the centre a wonderful zest of life and lots of knowledge. Our interactions with the children will reflect respect while engaging them intellectually, emotionally and offering them many opportunities for investigation & building creative thought during their play. We provide a safe, secure and stimulating environment where children can make choices and express their thoughts and ideas.

The children have the opportunity to develop empathy and forming trusting relationships with other children and adults. They develop skills to sustain friendships and play including listening and negotiating skills and are able to express what it means to be a friend.

We believe parents are the most important teacher for their child. We focus on collaborative relationships with families that are fundamental to achieving quality outcomes for children and community partnerships that are based on active communication, consultation and collaboration.

The C&K Moorooka Community Kindergarten team embraces C&K's Building Waterfalls curriculum & EYLF that is a play based, emergent curriculum which encourages children to express their ideas and understanding through play. Play provides the opportunity for children to absorb essential skills socially, intellectually and emotionally and to gain a sense of belonging in the community. We consider the natural environment as a tool to provide a sense of joy and instill a love of learning. The children have many opportunities to respond to the beauty of the natural world in our environment that is aesthetically appealing. As a community of learners we respectfully acknowledge the traditional Owners of the land (Jaggera) on which our kindergarten is placed, along with the multi-cultural and diverse community we are all part of. We embrace children's diversity as well as the culture of others in our community and the wider world. We are involved with the local School, for example we collaborate an event for under 8's week and we regularly visit the library and the Prep room to encourage a smooth transition from Kindergarten to school. This also allows the children to build relationships and trust with the prep teachers.

As advocates for Early Childhood Education, the team at C&K Moorooka Community Kindergarten ensures that C&K policies are followed and staff are engaged in ongoing learning and Critical reflection. C&K Moorooka Community Kindergarten employees passionate qualified experience educators. We are committed to continuous improvement and professional ethical conduct.

Moorooka Community Kindergarten lives C&K's mission statement: "where children come first", by ensuring our children receive the highest quality education and care possible". We also believe that C&K's purpose is "To maximize children's life outcomes and guide their learning journey".



Philosophy was reviewed with families, Children and staff on the 15 March 2018.