



## **Our Philosophy**

At the Pines School Based Preschool, we view children as naturally curious and capable learners. We provide children with opportunities to actively participate in their learning through an inclusive, play based curriculum. We believe children learn best when they feel safe to participate in play experiences that are meaningful and reflect real life contexts.

All educators are dedicated to quality outcomes for all children. We develop meaningful and trusting connections/relationships with all children, families and our diverse community to ensure everyone feels they belong and their culture is valued and included.

We acknowledge the Kurna People as the traditional owners of the land and respect First Nations ways of growing, knowing and learning through developing meaningful connections with families and the community. We support children's understandings of sustainability, to care for the land and all creatures.

We have a whole view of the child, valuing each child's individual learning journey. We critically reflect and document children's learning and growth to ensure each child's voice, friendships, interests and capabilities are the foundation of the curriculum. We provide an open-ended environment to encourage children to learn alongside teachers, educators and peers, to develop their skills, processes and dispositions.