

Our Vision

A community of connected and life long learners

Our Mission

To connect with the wider world by giving children the opportunity to create new understandings, develop a sense of belonging and take their place in it.

Our Principles and Practices

- * Respectful relationships
- * Children's voice
- * Inspiring environments
- * Partnerships with families and community
- * Viewing children as competent and capable
- * Respecting diversity
- * Inspiring 21st Century learners

21st Century Learners

- * Self motivated and persistent
- * Curious and Creative
- * Responsive and Resilient
- * Collaborative
- * Are Independent thinkers
- * Solve problems and Imagine
- * Are Adventurous
- * Become responsible citizens

Quality Improvement Plan

Educational Program and Practice

- Individual Child Learning Improvement Cycle
- Documentation and reporting for and with families
- Continuity of Learning

Children's Health and Wellbeing

- Building resilience
- Learning dispositions

Physical Environment

- Developing Site Environmental Management Plan

Relationships

- Building on Central East Partnership relationships
- Connect with all families

Collaborative Partnerships

- Family involvement
- Link with Health services
- Burnside Council



Our Philosophy (abbreviated)

Kensington Gardens Preschool offers children a safe, friendly and challenging environment. Children actively engage in authentic, hands-on play experiences and our beautiful outdoor environment and surrounds allows children to connect with and learn from nature on a daily basis. Our environment is set up carefully so that children can be in charge of their own learning – independent, self-reliant and encouraged to explore and investigate.

Our philosophy is based on the view of the child as a competent and capable learner who comes to us from their family with a wealth of knowledge, experiences and ideas. We acknowledge the family as the child's first educator and actively develop respectful and open two-way relationships. We respect and value the diversity and uniqueness of our families and seek their participation and input in our program. Our connections with the wider community and with the natural world give children the opportunity to create new understandings, develop their sense of belonging and citizenship.

Our program is based on our group of learners and our context and community. Our long term investigations build children's self-belief about their own identity as a learner able to overcome challenges, ask questions, work with others and find solutions to any problems. We value and seek the child's voice in choice of topics, the learning environment and the experiences we offer.

We support the participation of all the kindergarten community in becoming confident life-long learners through developing skills for 'succeeding and learning' in the 21st Century.

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