Partnerships with families
22nd February to 26th February 2021

Dear Families,

As a part of the continuous improvement required by the National Quality Standard, this week we are:

* ensuring our learning activities mainly reflect each child’s interests, ideas, knowledge and culture. While it’s a requirement that we do this, children learn so much more when they’re interested and engaged. That’s why we’re always asking you to tell us what children enjoy, what they did on the weekend, who’s visiting, where they’ve been etc. We love getting this feedback! You should see some of the things you tell us reflected in our daily activities. Watch how some of these progress into new activities that extend the learning
* reviewing our Education Curriculum and LearningPolicy. A summary follows:

**Education Curriculum and Learning Policy**

Policy explains the service is implementing the My Time our Place Framework for School Age Children (MTOP) and what educators will do to meet MTOP learning outcomes and the Regulations. For example educators will:

* based on children’s interests and knowledge
* regularly assess children’s learning
* regularly extend learning through planned and spontaneous experiences and intentional teaching
* partner with families to promote children's learning and regularly invite families to contribute
* value every child equally
* provide families with information about their child’s learning and participation in the program whenever requested
* build connections between the service, schools and the local community
* implement play and leisure opportunities that are meaningful to children and support their wellbeing, learning and development
* use strategies like demonstrating, dramatic play, role play, open questioning, speculating, explaining, shared thinking and problem solving to promote and extend children’s learning
* provide opportunities for children to learn from each other
* evaluate the curriculum at least weekly
* regularly document learning so it’s easy to understand
* display the Curriculum
* work with the Educational Leader to continually improve teaching practices.

There is a copy of the policy near the sign in/out sheet. Please take a moment to read it. We value any feedback you may have.

Nominated Supervisor