Partnerships with families
19 to 23 June 2023

Dear Families,

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

* reviewing the practices educators implement to promote learning about healthy lifestyles, including nutrition and physical fitness. If you have any suggestions about activities or experiences we could implement, or any questions about our existing practices, please let us know
* reviewing our Immunisation and Disease PreventionPolicy and Infectious DiseasePolicy. Summaries follow:

**Immunisation and Disease Prevention Policy**

* We will display the National Immunisation Schedule and the State/Territory Immunisation Schedule
* Parents must provide evidence of their child’s immunisation record/status during enrolment and meet State/Territory immunisation requirements for enrolment as outlined in Policy
* Parents are responsible for having overseas immunisation records transcribed
* Children who have not been immunised or whose immunisation status is unknown may be excluded from the service if there is an outbreak of a vaccine preventable disease
* Educators are encouraged to have immunisations listed in Policy
* Nominated Supervisor will implement procedures to ensure educators understand the adverse effect of some infectious disease on unborn children
* Child Care Subsidy is paid for children who are fully immunised or meet an approved exemption. This does not include conscientious objection.

**Infectious Disease Policy**

Educators and staff:

* will exclude children who have an infectious disease or are too ill to attend
* will implement procedures in policy if a child becomes unwell or develops a fever at the Service
* will implement minimum exclusion periods advised in Staying Healthy publication and/or required in relevant health legislation
* may require a medical certificate stating a child is not contagious before readmitting child

Parents must:

* advise educators on arrival of any symptoms requiring administration of medication to their child in the past 48 hours
* collect children who are unwell within one hour or make other arrangements for child’s care

Nominated Supervisor will notify infectious diseases to the local public health unit if required.

There are copies of the policies near the sign in/out sheet. Please take a moment to read them. We value any feedback you may have.

Nominated Supervisor