



Belonging, Being, Becoming

Welcome

St John's Preschool respectfully acknowledges that we learn and play, on Wangal land. We recognise the importance of high-quality early childhood education and care.

Who we are.

Our service is a not-for-profit community-based preschool for 3–5year old children. We believe each child is unique and is a creation of God. Furthermore, each child has a right to education and receive high quality care. St John's Preschool offers an inclusive community environment that supports and cares for every individual child's interest, strengths, and stages. We embed the Paramourcy Principle into everything we do at St John's Preschool, ensuring that in all elements of our program, the children come first.

Children's learning

Through a stimulating 'child' centred curriculum we seek to encourage, exploration, fun, investigation, and a desire for a life of learning. Children's play is a meaningful expression of self-engagement with others. Our individual programs cater for all children to reach their full potential.

Families

God instigated the family as the central unit primarily responsible for the nurturing and teaching of children. We recognise the family is the most influential part of each child's life. **We seek to engage and partner with every family.**

Diversity

Cultural diversity is important at our preschool. It is reflected in the way we integrate each child into the program that embraces children as capable, competent learners who are resilient and where self-esteem and self-confidence can be fostered.

Respectful relationships

We believe communication and participation is the key to an effective program with a two-way process from preschool to home. Our relationships with children, parents, carers, our wider community, and each other are based on trust and respect.

Curriculum – individual programs

It is vital to align with National Standards for curriculum design and work within the guidelines provided. We believe the best practices are when professional qualified staff partner with our local schools, parents – carers, community members and the child themselves shape the curriculum.

Ongoing improvements

Our commitment is to ensure that our environment, practices and legal obligations are reflected upon, reviewed, and changed so the best practices and safety is always paramount in our preschool.



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