

BERMAGUI PRESCHOOL



1.02 Aims of the Centre

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Children, Families & Staff

Aim

The broad aim of Bermagui Preschool is to provide high quality Early Childhood Education and Care within a safe, happy and loving environment, to create a sense of belonging and security. We are committed to excellence in Early Childhood Education and Care for children 0 to 5 year olds and their families.

Aims of Bermagui Preschool

Bermagui Preschool stands on Yuin land. We proudly acknowledge the Djiringanj people of the Yuin Nation as the traditional custodians of this land on which we gather to play and learn together. We aim to honour diversity and welcome families from all cultures and ethnic backgrounds.

At Bermagui Preschool we aim to uphold the rights of the child and are dedicated to acknowledging their voices. Children are viewed as competent, curious and natural researchers who are full of knowledge. Our approach to pedagogy is influenced by the Reggio Emilia philosophy, nature-based play and the Early Years Learning Framework. Children have the opportunity to share their understanding through rich meaningful experiences. Children's work is valued and appreciated.

Relationships between educators, families, children and community are of upmost importance. The Early Years Learning Framework describes families as "children's first and most influential teachers". Families are invited to take an active role in contributing to the process of discovery and learning for their child. Educators are attuned to the children and support the development of a strong wellbeing. Being part of the wider community and the community within Bermagui Preschool allows children to develop a sense of security and belonging.

Bermagui Preschool aims to provide an inclusive service that supports and reflects the needs of families and the broader community, including the provision of an anti-bias curriculum, multi-cultural program, integration of children with all abilities and flexibility of service provision.

We pride ourselves on providing nurturing learning environments that inspire and challenge young children to create, explore and learn using an interest-based play approach. Bermagui Preschool aims to provide experiences and activities which help children develop at their own pace as individuals. Through a variety of individual and group activities, we aim to support the holistic development of children including their physical needs (fine and gross motor skills, exercise, good nutrition, sleep and rest periods), their emotional/ social needs (love, security and socialisation), and their cognitive needs (mental stimulation, language, communication and education including STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths)).

The program and experiences at Bermagui Preschool will be facilitated by staff who are highly motivated, loving, caring and qualified to care for your child. The staff of Bermagui Preschool aim to encourage children to develop confidence and curiosity, happiness and honesty within themselves, interest in the world around them, development of each individual mind and body, respect for themselves, others and the environment and nurturing independence and identity. We aim to develop in each child the knowledge that they are a unique individual and that their abilities, interests and backgrounds are a very important contribution to the community.

Relevant Legislation

Education and Care Services National Regulations 2011

Resources & References

Education and Care National Regulations
The National Quality Standard (2010)
Being, Belonging and Becoming: The Early Years Framework for Australia (2009)
Early Childhood Australia's Code of Ethics

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