

Shoalhaven Family Day Care Philosophy

Shoalhaven Family Day Care supports the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. We deliver the Early Years Learning Framework and Framework for School Age Care. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures are acknowledged, valued and respected. We are committed to equity, inclusion and diversity which underpin the National Quality Framework and we continue to be a voice/advocate for children's rights, equality and compassion.

Shoalhaven Family Day Care promotes the Early Childhood Australia's Code of Ethics and our Educators are our most valuable resource. They, with family members, play a vital role in providing a supportive, safe and respectful environment where children can flourish and form attachments with others that are based on trust, and children's best interests.

Shoalhaven Family Day Care respects the essential role of a family on the wellbeing of their child and believes critical reflection and intentional teaching enable us to enhance the education and care of their child. We seek family insights about their child's characteristics and encourage families to become involved within our service so we can support one another in our complimentary roles. Our knowledge of the needs of each family are enhanced due to smaller group experiences. Children are valued and provided Individual based learning and care environments. Children learn through play, wonder and excitement. Children are nurtured and feel safe

Environments, both indoor and outdoor, enrich children's awareness and develop a sense of connection to the natural world where sustainable practices are embedded

Our Educators are viewed as independent and capable early childhood professionals who are supported by our experienced and qualified Co-ordination Unit team. Educators and staff are encouraged to regularly participate in current early childhood professional development and have opportunities to attend play sessions throughout the Shoalhaven

Shoalhaven City Council actively supports Shoalhaven Family Day Care as an education and care service. Shoalhaven Family Day Care acknowledges the uniqueness of our community; through our small flexible family day care environments we provide education and care that allows families to participate in the workforce. Networking with agencies benefits all stakeholders partnerships strengthen local connections and are part of our continuing business sustainability.