

OUR PHILOSOPHY

Our philosophy is at the core of our work with both children and families, and it underpins everything we do. At Mawson Lakes Preschool we:

- ★ Believe children learn best when encouraged to explore their world through play and real life experiences, consolidating their learning by revisiting experiences in a supportive environment;
- ★ Support all children in development of our core values through a play curriculum, founded on the Early Years Learning Framework;
- ★ Provide an environment catering for all levels of development, recognising individual learning styles and dispositions, providing challenge, stimulation, creativity, success; and
- ★ Believe that above all else, learning should be FUN!

OUR VISION

Our vision is for all our children to become confident, resilient, socially competent individuals with a passion for learning.

OUR CORE VALUES

Diversity	Independence	Creativity	Curiosity	Care	Respect
As individuals we are unique and special	We take risks to stretch our learning	We solve problems through fun and play	We investigate our environment and community by being powerful inquisitive	We take care of each other, our preschool and the environment	We appreciate everyone's effort and work together to make an impact

OUR PRINCIPLES

Our vision is enacted through the following principles...

- ★ We believe families are the first and most influential teachers of their children
- ★ We respect the social context of each family and cater to the needs and interests of all children through a play based curriculum
- ★ We cultivate a deep respect for the cultural diversity of our community including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
- ★ We create an environment that nurtures children's wellbeing by providing opportunities for children to engage in a range of social interactions to develop a strong sense of identity and belonging to their community so they can become thriving and responsible young people

Art Installation at Mawson Lakes Preschool by Scott Rathman, Rusted Tin Contemporary Aboriginal Arts ... This design represents peoples journey to this gathering place and shows that they are coming from different places to be here ... this is significant as our preschool is very diverse with a range of cultural groups represented...