

Site Philosophy

Our philosophy is at the core of our work with children and families. It is underpinned by the three pillars of the EYLF – Belonging, Being and Becoming. At Mawson Lakes Preschool this looks like;

Belonging

Children belonging to their families and community
Children and their family feeling safe to create meaningful attachments with educators
Educators creating an environment that nurtures wellbeing
Educators and families celebrating together
Welcoming families and the cultural diversity they bring
Acknowledging and supporting Aboriginal ways of growing and learning

Being

Children being supported to explore through periods of long, uninterrupted play
Educators being 'present' and engaging with children at their current level of interest and development
Educators valuing childhood and providing an environment where children can simply be 3,4, or 5
Educators providing a learning environment which fosters children's sense of curiosity, wonder and awe
Educators appreciating each child's current stage of development and supporting them to take their next steps
Educators providing a learning environment which is intentionally planned and responds to children's diverse learning needs

Becoming

Children becoming confident and capable learners
Educators supporting children to develop positive dispositions for learning
Educators having high expectations for all children and providing opportunities through purposeful play and intentional teaching to guide children's learning
Educators, families and children coming together to connect, play, learn and grow on the traditional lands of the Kurna people
Educators advocating for children and childhood
Educators supporting the continuity of learning from preschool to school for all children

Our Vision:

For our children to see themselves as lifelong learners who are confident, resilient, inclusive and socially competent.

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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...