



Banksia Early Learning Centre

OUR PHILOSOPHY



CULTURE

We acknowledge that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are the Traditional Owners of the land and recognise the importance of understanding and embedding their perspectives at Banksia.

We respect the cultural backgrounds, beliefs and celebrations of our communities, as well as family choices and different ways of living. We acknowledge and appreciate the richness these aspects bring to the centre.



CHILDREN

We recognise children as independent people who thrive in environments where their rights, identities, voices and choices are encouraged and respected.

We value play and see it as a catalyst for all children to engage through shared learning and social connections – a space where individuality and diversity are embraced.



RELATIONSHIPS

We strongly believe that relationships, partnerships and collaborations are core to high-quality education and care.

We build relationships within our community, which contributes to our decision-making process, with a focus on providing reassurance, support and an inclusive environment.



STRIVING TO LEARN MORE

We value education and research that underpin early childhood pedagogy and acknowledge the benefits this brings to our educators, children and community.

We create a culture of inquiry where the importance of critical reflection and professional development fuel professional growth and cultivate innovative educators.



NATURE

We aim for interconnectedness with nature, respecting our natural world, acknowledging our impact on nature and embedding sustainable practices.

We value our natural environment by embedding nature within our educational programs and engaging with the natural surroundings of the Macquarie University Wallumattagal Campus.