**Philosophy**

**Vision:**
“To provide a safe, caring, happy, inclusive environment for educators, children, families and the community to come together to learn, discover and grow in a play based, child centred learning space.”

In order to work towards this vision, we **emphasise** the following:

The importance of developing and maintaining **respectful relationships** with families, children, other educators and the community based on trust and compassion. This engenders a strong sense of **belonging** and a **sense of community**.

The idea that the Kindy is a **learning community** and that educators, children and families will all have an important role to play in the planning and implementation of the learning that occurs in all areas of the kindy. We are all partners in developing a **culture of deep engagement with learning and reflection**.

Having **high expectations** for all children and families. This means supporting families to remove the barriers to success and to promote inclusion and participation of all children in whatever ways are most helpful.

Respecting **diversity** in all our dealings, so that our community values the practices, values and beliefs of all our families and in doing so, be able to foster children’s motivation to learn. Thinking critically about differences and similarities and the need to address unfairness, is important to us as a compassionate and supportive community.

**These values are important to the kindy community and they guide us in our work within the Community.**

**Respect: Kindness and Compassion: Responsibility: Honesty: Trust**