

## **KCCC**

## **Curriculum Update - Issue 2**

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Welcome to this months curriculum update. Through this publication we will provide you with regular updates on the education and care curriculum offered at KCCC and your child's learning and development. Your feedback is important to us, please let us know if there are any specific areas of the curriculum/program that you would like more information on.

## **Excursions**

Over the coming weeks you will be asked to sign an authorization form for regular ongoing excursions(if you would like your child to be involved). All risk assessments have been completed and are available at the service for you to sight should you wish to.

All the rooms at KCCC are working toward implementing regular excursions. The four seater pram that KCCC brought over from Denmark will help to ensure all children are able to be engaged in these regular excursions.

It is essential for children to experience all aspects of the world they live in and make strong connections with the community.

Through providing opportunities for children to experience the world outside of KCCC, children are being exposed to new noises, new sights, new smells, and new experiences. Outcome 4: Learning: children are confident and involved learners: VEYLDF.

Children will have to opportunity to touch natural materials and extend their understanding of the natural world through their senses, touching grass, scrunching leaves, smelling flowers, collecting natural materials to bring back to the service and more.

Educator to child interactions with a ratio of 1:2 for under 3's and 1:4 for 3-5 rooms and 1:6 for 4 year old Kindergarten rooms, allow for rich meaningful conversations and interactions with children. Children are exposed to a range of safety life skills, for example: crossing the road: educators can use this as a learning opportunity through role modelling safe practices and using language with the children whilst doing this(VEYLDF: Outcome 5: Communication).

Healthy body, healthy mind. Through allowing the children to explore the park run/crawl and be active. Educators are promoting a healthy life style, Standard 2.2Healthy eating and physical activity are embedded in the program for children, National Quality Framework).

Community engagement: through taking the children into the community not only are the children experiencing exposure to their community, the community has the opportunity to interact with the children, through encouraging families to become involved in these excursions and join the children, we are providing opportunity to support family centred practice.

## Early Language Learning Program

This month the Kindergarten rooms at KCCC have embarked on beginning the Early Learning Languages Australia Program. This program is funded by the Australian Government for Kindergartens and a select few services are provided the opportunity to engage each year. The ELLA program is a digital language learning program for kindergartens. Through the program the kindergarten children will engage in language learning using play based apps on a tablet. The aim is for children to recognise the different sounds and concepts of a language other than English through the introduction of words, sentences and songs in age appropriate experiences and practices. KCCC is going to be learning Mandarin.

Parents will be asked to complete an authorization form if they would their child to be involved in the program. Please find more information on the program and its benefits located in the kindergarten rooms.



Park Ranger Excursion 2015 with the Kindergarten Groups at JJ Holland Park



Excursion in the 4 seater pram to JJ Holland Park- sight seeing and bird watching! With the Yarragum room in 2015.