

The Early Years Learning Framework – information for families

This information sheet provides an overview of Belonging, being and becoming – The Early Years Learning Framework for Australia (PDF 24.9 MB) and its role in your child's preschool experience.



What is the Early Years Learning Framework?

The Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF) is the curriculum framework used in all early childhood education and care services across Australia, including NSW public preschools.

The vision of the EYLF is for all children to:

- engage in learning that promotes confident and creative individuals and successful lifelong learners
- be active and informed members of their communities with knowledge of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives. (AGDE 2022:6)

The EYLF recognises the diversity of children, their families and communities. It recommends preschool programs take a holistic approach, addressing children's physical, personal, social, emotional and spiritual wellbeing, as well as cognitive aspects of learning.

How will the EYLF support my child?

Our preschool teachers use the EYLF to plan an educational program that enhances each child's learning, development and wellbeing. The EYLF guides them to provide a supportive and caring preschool environment, so that your child feels confident, safe and ready to play and learn.

Not all children learn in the same way. Therefore, the EYLF guides a responsive learning program based on children's unique ideas, interests and strengths. Using the EYLF, our teachers will observe your child's learning so they can build on it and plan the next steps. They will do this by listening, watching and talking with your child.

Young children learn as they play

Research tells us that young children learn through play and interactions with other children and adults. The EYLF supports teachers to provide stimulating play environments for the children to explore, and that are suited to their developmental level. As they play, your child builds their social skills, creativity, problem-solving abilities, independence and understanding of the world around them.

Learning outcomes

The EYLF has 5 learning outcomes that give direction to teachers' planning:



How can I support my child's learning?

You can help your child by providing opportunities for them to explore, play and learn in a range of different environments, for example, at home, at the park or on a walk.

You are helping your child learn when you play games, talk, sing, make things, share books and have fun together.

Involve your child in family traditions and everyday tasks such as preparing food, tidying up or unpacking groceries.

Talk with your child's teacher

By working together, teachers and parents can enhance a child's learning. As you know your child best, it is important to let their teacher know what they like to do at home, what they know and can do well, and what they need help with. Your child's teacher will update you regularly about what your child is learning at preschool.

If you would like to know more about how our preschool uses the EYLF or have any concerns about your child's learning, please organise a time to speak with their teacher.

Our preschool team are here to support your child and look forward to working in partnership with you.



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