



***“Alstonville Community Preschool sits on the Ngyabal lands of the Bundjalung nation. We pay respect to and acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land as we work, play and learn here each day”***

Welcome to Alstonville Community Preschool, a unique community of children, families and educators who share an understanding of the importance of the early childhood years, to a child’s lifelong learning and development. At this preschool:

- All children and the culture, beliefs and parenting styles of their families are valued and respected by educators;
- Educators support children to be inclusive of others by building awareness of differing perspectives, beliefs and abilities through play and learning;
- All children are viewed as independent, competent and capable learners who are active creators of their own learning through play;
- Time for uninterrupted play is valued, giving children the opportunity to experiment, discover and build on skills and knowledge in collaboration with peers and educators;
- We believe that being outdoors, playing in nature and the use of natural materials helps connect children to their learning;
- Children are always encouraged and supported to experience challenge, make decisions for themselves and take appropriate risks in their play;
- Children are connected with the land through time on Country, and are taught to notice and appreciate the ever changing seasons, and the needs and sustainability of their environment;
- Reconciliation is embraced and First Nations culture and perspectives are respected and embedded within our educational program;
- Belonging to, and engagement with, the local township and wider community of the preschool is encouraged and supported;
- The knowledge, skills and experience of the many ‘leaders’ within this educational community is highly valued;
- Positive transitions for children between their many learning environments, places and spaces is well supported.

#### RELATED DOCUMENTS

Belonging, Being and Becoming: The Early Years Learning Framework for Australia;  
ECA Code of Ethics