



A Child Safe & Friendly Environment

The Botanic Gardens of Sydney is a NSW State Government organisation in the Department of Planning & Environment. As a child-related government employer, all Education staff who work with children are required to be cleared to engage in work with children through a Working with Children Check (WWC). The Botanic Gardens of Sydney is committed through both policy & practice to creating a Child Safe & Friendly Environment.

Our staff are supported to provide a place of learning & enjoyment that:

- Creates experiences that are in best interests of the child
- Supports the right to development for all children
- Respects the views of every child
- Creates spaces free from discrimination

Our philosophy uses the following framework to develop & deliver our educational experiences:

- Landscape & nature as mentor Embodied experience
- Knowing self, others, nature
- All outdoors, all weather linked to curriculum
- Elements of play & discovery
- Imaginative & emotional
- Knowing is in the doing
- Practice informed by Eco-pedagogy & 8-Ways Aboriginal pedagogy



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