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Welcome to C&K Bayview Heights Community Kindergarten Where Children Come First and our Philosophy is:

- To provide educational program and practice within an emergent curriculum that is play based, incorporates intentional teaching and learning through routines and that is implemented by educators who honour every child's right to play and to a happy and fulfilling childhood.
- To implement a program that views children as competent and capable, builds on their interests and strengths and provides opportunities to explore, solve problems, spend time in nature, develop friendships, imagine, use creativity and extend capabilities in language, literacy and numeracy.
- To use *Belonging, Being and Becoming: The Early Years Learning Framework for Australia* as our approved learning framework and *C&K Building Waterfalls: a guideline for children's learning and for teaching in kindergarten* alongside *Queensland Kindergarten Learning Guideline* as frameworks for our educational program.
- To cater to the individual health and wellbeing of each child in partnership with families and our community.
- To provide an environment that is inclusive and fosters meaningful, positive relationships between children, educators, families and the community; provides challenge and promotes healthy risk taking; facilitates independence, investigation and creativity; promotes a sense of wonder about the world; is aesthetically planned to promote development; provides time in nature; and where children are supported to show respect for the environment.
- To foster a team approach with a commitment to reflective practice, professional development and where all children, families and educators are respected and valued and work collaboratively to affirm, challenge, support and learn from each other to further develop their skills and to improve practice and relationships.
- To create a climate of trust and mutual respect between educators, children and families where parents are acknowledged and supported in their role as lifelong educators for their children.
- To create a professional learning community that is committed to continued improvement and the effective management of the kindergarten and where families experience a sense of ownership through participation in learning, management, enhancement and social events.

This document is reviewed annually and last ratified in September 2018 following collaboration with the educators, children, families and community of the Kindergarten.

Bayview Heights Community Kindergarten respectfully acknowledges the Gimuy-walubarra Yidinji people as the traditional custodians of the land upon which the kindergarten is built. We acknowledge and pay our respect to all Elders past and present.