

KiDS

Early Learning Centres

First Connections

6 weeks – 24 months at Kids ELC

A gentle, nurturing curriculum that supports your child's growth, curiosity, and sense of belonging in the earliest years of life.



At Kids ELC we acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of this nation and their continuing connection to country and culture. Across our centres, our learning takes place on ancestral lands and nearby waterways. We pay our respects to Elders of each nation, past, present and emerging.



Respecting Your Child's Individual Beginning

Every child is unique. We take time to listen, observe, and truly know your child - responding thoughtfully to their cues, emotions, and ideas. By honouring who your child is today, we nurture a strong sense of identity and belonging.

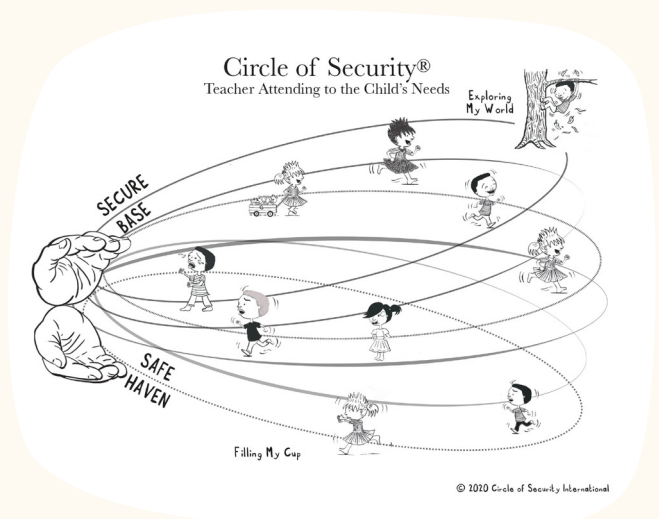
Together, We Care for What Matters Most

Caring for your child is a privilege built on trust, openness, and shared responsibility. We value your knowledge of your child and work in partnership with you to support their safety, wellbeing, and sense of belonging. Through ongoing dialogue and collaboration, we create continuity between home and our learning community.

"Speak to your children as if they are the wisest, kindest, most beautiful and magical humans on earth, for what they believe is what they become." Brooke Hampton

Secure, Trusting Relationships at the Heart of Learning

Our educators are chosen for their warmth, patience, and deep respect for young child, creating the foundation for strong, trusting connections. Responsive relationships support your child feel secure and confident to explore their world. Guided by the Circle of Security, educators offer a safe base for exploration and a nurturing place to return to for comfort. Through consistent, respectful interactions, your child's emotional wellbeing and emerging independence are supported.





Innovative Philosophy

Influenced by the world-renowned Reggio Emilia philosophy and evidence-based practices, we embrace an active inquiry, play-based approach to learning that nurtures curiosity, confidence, collaboration, respect, and creativity. We view your child as a citizen from birth, capable of relationships, communication, and contribution. Learning is intentional, reflective, and co-created with children and families. Your child's expressions - whether through movement, sound, gesture, or play are valued as meaningful ways of making sense of the world.

“Our image of the child is rich in potential, strong, powerful, competent, and most of all, connected to adults and other children” Loris Malaguzzi

A Curriculum That Nurtures the Whole Child

Our curriculum is guided by the Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF) and shaped by your child's interests, relationships, and everyday experiences. We support learning through the five EYLF outcomes:

- Children have a strong sense of identity
- Children are connected with and contribute to their world
- Children have a strong sense of wellbeing
- Children are confident and involved learners
- Children are effective communicators

Supporting Development at Your Child's Pace

Developmental milestones guide our understanding of growth but do not define your child. We recognise learning as a unique and unfolding journey shaped by relationships, experiences, and opportunities. By focusing on strengths and possibilities, we support your child's development with confidence and respect.



Studios | Learning Through Play and Connection

Did you know?

At Kids ELC we call our spaces studios because this is where children research, think, and innovate. Through play, relationships, and holistic learning, our studios bring children's ideas to life. Our studios are named after places in Reggio Emilia, honouring the origins of the philosophy that influences and guides our practice.

Mirabello & Canali Studios

In Mirabello and Canali Studio, we provide a warm and nurturing environment for our youngest children, aged 6 weeks to 18 months, where the gentle rhythms of home are echoed to create a strong sense of security and belonging.

Through respectful care practices and a language-rich setting, our educators build trusting relationships and support early communication and connection. With the freedom to move and explore at their own pace, children are invited into meaningful experiences that spark curiosity, wonder, and joyful discovery.

Every moment is carefully guided by nurturing educators who honour each child's unique needs, voice, and growing sense of self.



Baragalla & Mancasale Studios

In Baragalla and Mancasale Studio, our 12 months to 2.5-year-old children enjoy small group experiences with songs, rhymes, music, movement, and storytelling that build strong connection and support early language development.

Each day offers exciting, hands-on play that encourages discovery, problem-solving, and growing independence through rich schematic play. Children are given time to revisit experiences and explore at their own pace.

Our thoughtfully designed learning environments, guided by responsive and respectful educators, fosters a deep sense of trust, care, and security.





Rhythms and Rituals Supporting Wellbeing

Your child's day is shaped by gentle, predictable rhythms that reflect the comfort and familiarity of home. We work closely with you to follow your child's individual routines for meals and bottles, supporting nutrition in a calm, responsive, and respectful way, with strong support for breastfeeding.

Rest and sleep are guided by your child's cues and family preferences, following Red Nose safe sleep guidelines to ensure your child feels safe, secure, and cared for. These shared rhythms and rituals create a strong sense of trust, wellbeing, and connection between home and our setting.



Respecting Your Child's Capability

We trust your child's natural ability to move, explore, and learn in their own time. In these first years, physical development is a crucial part of learning, and every roll, crawl, reach, and step supports coordination, strength, and body awareness. We provide uninterrupted opportunities for freedom of movement while observing with intention and care. Through respectful interactions, your child is supported to develop confidence, autonomy, and self-awareness.

"When you hold an infant, hold him not just with your body, but with your mind and heart." Magda Gerber





Environments Designed to Spark Wonder

Our environments are thoughtfully designed to support your child's learning, wellbeing, and curiosity. With carefully chosen materials, natural light, and open-ended resources, they invite exploration, movement, and discovery. As the environment evolves with your child's wonderings, it nurtures and responds to their learning every step of the way.



Learning Through Play That Matters

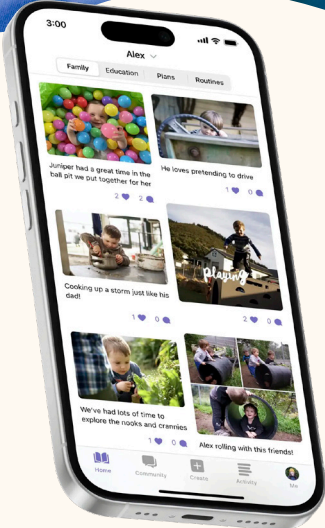
Play is how young children learn and make sense of their world. Your child's learning is driven by curiosity and repeated patterns of play. Schematic play may include trajectory (dropping, throwing), transporting (moving objects), enclosing (filling, covering), rotation (spinning, turning), connection (joining materials), and orientation (viewing from different perspectives).

By noticing and responding to these schemas, educators extend learning experiences that deepen your child's thinking, creativity, and exploration. Every block stacked, every object moved, and every game played is a meaningful step in your child's learning journey.



Stay Connected to Every Moment

Storypark keeps you connected to your child's learning journey through shared stories, images, child notes, and reflections. We use this platform to make learning visible and invite your voice, insights, and family moments. Together, we celebrate your child's discoveries and growth as part of a shared learning partnership.



Still Wondering?

Jot down any questions you still have about our studios, routines, or your child's learning, and we'll explore them at your next visit.

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