



Donald Kindergarten

Philosophy Statement

At the Donald Kindergarten:

- All children are unique and valued individuals.
- We help to establish and encourage the beginning of a life-long enjoyment of learning.

Child-centred play is the best way to learn. A fun and stimulating outdoor and indoor learning environment promotes opportunities to safely develop friendships, confidence, health and happiness.

Our educators commit to continually updating and improving their early childhood knowledge and practice. They actively consider the thoughts and ideas of each child to create and support a well-rounded, quality learning program.

The learning program reflects the Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF) and the Victorian Early Years Learning and Development Framework (VEYLDF) and caters for every child's intellectual, social, emotional and physical growth.

A positive relationship between children, families and educators is essential. We strive to nurture genuine relationships and open communication in order to complement and support families.

We are keenly aware of the rural and agricultural environment in which we live and we welcome opportunities to connect with and support the wider Donald community.

We endeavor to uphold and reflect the YMCA's core values of honesty, respect, care and responsibility.