

# Seedlings Playgroup

Eumundi State School's Seedlings playgroup is play based and child led. We will provide and set up many learning opportunities for the children to choose and create their own

play experience. We are flexible, child focussed, inclusive and developmentally appropriate for children aged 0-5.

### What are the benefits of joining a playgroup?

#### For Children:

- make friends and develop social skills
- opportunities to play and learn
- encourages language development
- stimulating environment to enjoy new activities
- opportunity to attend events and incursions

#### For Adults:

- provides opportunities to play and interact with your child
- great space to connect with other adults
- provides routine
- fosters community spirit
- assists social networks
- eases the transition from home to school

"Children learn as they play. More importantly, in play, children learn how to learn." Fred Donaldson



### SEEDLINGS

## **Playgroup Guidelines**

#### For the enjoyment and safety of your family and others, the following guidelines apply:

- You are solely responsible for your own child and their safety **AT ALL TIMES**. This means supervising them and helping them to make safe, kind choices. You are also required to be present, join in on activities and play/connect with your child/children.
- Please encourage your child to sit with you and join in during carpet/group times to help them to establish a routine and sense of community.
- If your child has any new medical concerns or allergies not already listed on the enrolment form, please flag with Carolyn via email ASAP.
- Please limit the use of mobile phones as much as possible during playgroup as you are responsible for your child's safety (photos are fine). Playgroup is to promote positive interactions between parent and child or parents with other adults to build a sense of community.
- Please **do not** post any photos of other children in out playgroup on social media without their parents/carer's permission first. If you do happen to take any lovely photos and you are willing to share them in our school newsletter, please email them through to Carolyn at <a href="mailto:playgroup@eumundiss.eq.edu.au">playgroup@eumundiss.eq.edu.au</a>
- Sick and unwell children should not attend playgroup. Please email if you are not attending for any reason.
- Please ensure your child has a hat (as we have a school **NO HAT NO PLAY** policy) and that you have applied sunscreen before you arrive. Please bring a change of clothes each week as messy and water play will be provided at times.
- All families are to be signed in weekly on the form provided.
- Please ensure no food is shared as there could be allergies within the group.
- Please bring with you a fruit snack and some morning tea along with a bottle of water.
- There are toilet facilities available to all attendees and a plastic nappy change mat for babies. Changing nappies is your responsibility. Due to health regulations, please wrap all disposable nappies in a plastic bag and dispose in a bin outside.
- Use appropriate language while at playgroup and be mindful of your conversations in front of the children. Inappropriate language or conversations will not be tolerated.
- Everyone is responsible to help pack up and tidy the hall once the clean up song plays and once playgroup concludes. Please encourage your child to join in with the clean up process.
- Should there be a fire drill, we will choose the safest route and together make our way to the school oval. For a lockdown drill we need to ensure all external doors are locked and that we are not visible from the outside.

We appreciate your cooperation with regards to these rules and look forward to lots of fun, laughter and friendship! We welcome you with open arms to our Seedlings community and are so glad that you are here.

