



## HARMONY MONTH

Harmony Week is on March 15—21 this national event provides us with an opportunity to celebrate our diversity and re-commit to our common values of respect and goodwill towards our fellow Australians of all backgrounds. Our Centre promotes the values of empathy, understanding, cooperation and peace amongst the families within the centre, and with the wider community. Hence we facilitate our cultural learning experiences and events to embrace this very cause.

### Blossoming Butterflies

The babies are having interest in all types of Sensory Play:-

#### Interactive Experiences

- Shredded paper with sea creatures
- Social interactions with mirror play
- Crumbed Biscuits as sand for a sensory experience with added resources eg, spade, strainers, shells and small buckets.
- Ice play with sea creatures inside
- Blue rice with sea creatures and funnels to encourage fine motor and eye hand coordination.
- Blue and White shaving cream, finger play texture awareness.

### Terrific Turtles

Toddler children are learning about blending colours

#### Interactive Experiences

- Blending Colours experiment using paper towel and food colouring
- Rainbow dropper painting
- Reading Books to recognise colour like the "Colour Wheel and Brown Bears"
- Using the light table with coloured cubes allowing children to identify the various colours.
- Coloured ice-cubes used for art activity.

### Keen Kittens

Kindy children will be learning about all areas of the STEM program.

#### Interactive Experiences:-

Creating a garden space filled with an assortment of plants of different colours, shapes, textures and fragrances that children can actively explore. Nature offers an abundance of intriguing objects that can be pondered over, manipulated, moved and used for a variety of purposes. We have a natural connection to nature and the outdoors, and children are fascinated by bugs, water, light and other natural elements. The human brain is fascinated by novelty, changes or things that are out of the ordinary. It stands to reason that through allowing regular access to the constantly changing outdoors, children's natural curiosity will be aroused and they will lead their own learning through this interest. We can engage children in STEM education through science experiments to encourage curiosity about the world.

### EYLF Learning Outcomes

1. Children have a strong sense of Identity.
2. Children are connected with and contribute to their world.
3. Children have a strong sense of wellbeing.
4. Children are Confident and Involved Learners.
5. Children are Effective Communicators.

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