



ELEPHAS
EDUCATION

COMPANY PHILOSOPHY

Elephas Education are committed to setting a new benchmark for quality early childhood education and care in Australia, with our unique approach to guiding children on a path of growth and success. Incorporating beautiful learning environments with open-ended resources that create endless learning possibilities, we believe that it is through play and investigation children develop the foundations for further learning. These include exploration of their environment, who they are and where they fit within the world they belong. We pride ourselves on providing our families with open, honest, and effective daily communication ensuring a solid partnership between families and educators.

Our curriculum is based on the Early Years Learning Framework which covers all key areas of development catering for children's individual needs while fostering their unique ability positively and encouraging self-paced learning. Our aim is to ensure **children have a strong sense of identity** by supporting children's independence and offering children assistance to understand, appreciate, and respect various social and cultural diversities within their community, thus ensuring all children receive equal opportunities regardless of socio-economic background, ethnicity, gender, race or physical ability.

With a strong emphasis placed on learning through investigation, discovery and inquiry our educators incorporate nationally approved educational programs that are influenced by a multi-theorist approach. We endeavor to create opportunities to ensure our **children are confident and involved learners** by creating an environment that promotes a sustainable future. Our services provide beautiful splash zones for the children with a variety of water play opportunities allowing them to extend upon their imagination and creativity.

We feel it's important to ensure **children are connected with and contribute to their world.** This is achieved by ensuring children have access to our unique animal interactions program where they gain hands on experience, caring for and nurturing animals as well as learning about responsibility and sustainability. We put emphasis on the importance of developing a consistency between early childhood practices at home and those at the centre; this is to enhance the children's general feeling of security within themselves and to develop strong relationships with others.

As educators we understand that children's communication skills are vitally important, and we acknowledge children's verbal and nonverbal cues as meaningful communication. We strive to ensure **children are effective communicators** by including languages from other cultures and encourage families from other cultures to participate and contribute within our programs. We aim to provide children with access to a wide range of media and different communication technologies including iPads and interactive smart boards, to investigate cause and effect, symbolism, and engage children in investigative play opportunities. This will in turn teach lifelong learning skills that children can make use of and build upon in the future.

By ensuring this philosophy is the foundation of every aspect of our centre practices we are safeguarding our **children have a strong sense of wellbeing** and are happy, healthy, and valued members of the community. Our centres provide nutritionally balanced meals for children ensuring their individual dietary needs are met and we aim to foster all children to become the big people of tomorrow.