

Statement of Philosophy

Country Kids Club (CKC) evolved in response to the community need for Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) in the town of Yass. The service is based upon continuous improvement through responsiveness to family and community needs.

CKC values working with community agencies for the benefit of the children in their care. Strong relationships with the schools in the community and resource agencies are integrated into the program.

CKC believes that OSHC is the children's time. CKC provides small group care to ensure each child can have the space and time they need, as well as the ability to develop quality relationships with staff. Staff interactions with children are warm and staff always take time to allow children's thoughts and experiences to be heard. CKC implements inclusive practices and the environment, staff interactions and curriculum plan are responsive and respectful of children's knowledge, abilities and background. Through implementing the MTOP, CKC promotes learning, independence, collaboration and leisure to the children.

The curriculum practises led by Educators facilitate the children's choices of indoor and outdoor, relaxing and active activities. A healthy and safe space is an essential platform for the children's play and discovery.

The menu is based upon CKC's belief in the need for children to have a wholesome and nutritious meal or snack out of school hours. A full tummy enables children to be at their best at all times of the day.

Sustainable practices teach children to appreciate and respect the world around them. These practices are valued and promoted as a part of the daily routine.

Open communication and respectful relationships with staff, family, children and the community are essential for the effective operation of CKC.

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