



July Reflection 2019

The month of July has brought us some new experiences and opportunities to extend on the children's interests. The weather has been cold and somewhat rainy but we have taken full advantage of the good days we have had over the past few weeks by going on a few excursions.

Our most exciting event was a walk to the park with our Thursday children. Educators took the children in small groups for a walk to the park behind Woolworths. Each of our groups experienced something different on their trip. The first few groups were able to play at the park with the Purple Kinder children and played at the small playground there, with exception of one play experience there (it was not working). Our final group walked with the children of the Koala Room and once we arrived to the park, we learned that there were a few workers with a small digger that were repairing the broken equipment (the one we didn't use from earlier). We sat and played games such as tag and Ring Around the Rosie and watched the workers fixing the equipment. The children really enjoyed the opportunity to explore the world, beyond our walls.

Our Wednesday group has had the opportunity to explore our community garden just outside our entranceway and throughout each visit to water the garden, the children have taken some time to explore the Fairy Garden as well. We have also taken advantage of the nice weather by having picnics in the garden for our afternoon tea time, drawing and painting in the outdoor art gallery and playing in the sand pit with different sand toys.

The dolls and block spaces have been changed in the yard by adding and rearranging the play areas which has become a big interest with the children lately.

It is not uncommon to see many of the children walking around with the babies and incorporating them into other play experiences. Placing their babies beside them in a chair when playing at the dinosaur table or holding the baby while cooking in the mud kitchen has become a common occurrence.

Our dinosaur table is still a big interest as the children use the small dinosaurs to practice recalling their colours. The children are becoming very good at recalling colours without having to ask an educator for assistance. Educators frequently hear the children using this experience saying the colours out loud as they pick them up throughout their play. We have some very clever children in the Possum Room!!

Links to the National Quality Standards: Quality Area 1, Educational Program and Practice and Quality Area 1 Program and Practice and TRCC Philosophy

