

Joey Room May 2020 Reflection 1

Links to the National Quality Standards: Quality Area 5: Relationships with children and TRCC Philosophy

We hope the Mothers of our room had a wonderful Mothers' Day on the weekend and enjoyed your present and being spoilt.

Watching the children over the last few weeks we have seen new milestones achieved. Some of the children are now able to sit alone and reach out for toys in front of themselves pick them up and explore them. Some of the children are now able to crawl around the room and pull themselves up to the tables to explore the table activities and we have seen children taking their first steps in the room. Time is given throughout the day to encourage the children's independence especially at meal times where the children are encouraged to feed themselves using a spoon or their fingers. Over time with encouragement the children are gaining confidence and the skills to increase their independence. The younger children who are unable to feed themselves are guided by their educators and if they wish to use their hands can and educators will use a spoon to feed the children. We are also encouraging the children to wipe their hands after eating meals.

Having mirrors in the room encourages the children to be able to look at themselves through their play as well as looking at themselves as they read a book. They are able to see reactions and watch themselves and explore their ideas. Some of the children like looking at themselves throughout the day smiling and checking out

Having areas for the children to choose their own activity or book allows them to make decisions. This also gives and allows independence and gives educators knowledge of the children's interests and capabilities.

