

Programmes Provided

Staff at Little Darlings Child Care Centre work together in establishing programmes which meet the centres philosophy and aims.

The centre provides a weekly programme for the indoor and outdoor environment, which provides a balance of experiences such as:

- Active/passive
- Formal/informal
- Self directed/other directed
- Solitary/social
- Structured/unstructured
- Small group/large group

Learning is incorporated within the programme through stimulating experiences, which encourage play. Play allows children to learn through a process of problem solving, exploring, social interaction, role play and communicating. This fosters children's development in areas such as cognitive, language, fine motor, gross motor, self help, social, emotional and independence. This will result in children becoming successful learners. Staff will choose experiences and resources that are appropriate and foster these skills through play.

Our programmes are evaluated daily in order to ensure modifications and improvements in order to benefit the children and the smooth running of the day.

All programmes are displayed in a prominent position in each playroom for parent/guardian viewing and input to be made.

As well as whole group programmes Little Darlings Child Care Centre also incorporates music and language programmes in order to ensure small group activities and opportunities for 1 to one interaction between teachers and children and opportunities for children to express themselves through music and movement.

Exposure to music is important to the child's development as it expands concentration when exposed to classical and instrumental, rhymes and dances exercise their thinking and concentration to follow instructions and at the same time build their self esteem and social interaction.

Our language programmes monitor children's expressive and receptive development and aim to expand their abilities and the content of their vocabulary and use of sentence structure.

All programmes include an anti-bias approach and aim to expose children to a variety of cultures.