

Kindergartens South - Statement of Strategic Intent 2015

PURPOSE: KINDERGARTENS – WHERE KIDS CAN BE KIDS

VISION: LEADERS IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION IN THE SOUTH

2015 Goal 1

Good Employer

Kindergartens South provides an employment environment that meets all requirements of being a Good Employer.

Strategic Intent

Kindergartens South will be chosen as the employer of choice. Staff will be supported in their teaching and programme delivery.

2015 Goal 2

What's Best for Children

Children will learn through play. Teachers will be responsive to the learning interests, strengths and capabilities of children. Teachers engage in meaningful, positive interactions to nurture reciprocal relationships with families. Teachers will collaborate with parents and whanau in relation to the learning and decision making about their children.

Strategic Intent

Kindergarten is about providing playful, stimulating environments for children to discover and learn. The child is foremost when making decisions for children's early education. Environments will reflect a strong emphasis of being in the natural environment. Current research and thinking is articulated and practised by all teachers. The 'children's learning environment plan' guides practice.

2015 Goal 3

Environments

Kindergartens South provides learning environments to enable children and families to grow and develop to reach their potential within safe yet challenging environments.

Strategic Intent

Environments are about quality, they reflect international best practice, what's good for children, current and appropriate resources. Teachers will respect and acknowledge parents' aspirations for their children.

2015 Goal 4

Community Heart

Kindergartens are in every community where the population justifies an Early Childhood Education Service.

Strategic Intent

Community heart is about kindergartens being a preferred place for families, to interact, to play and to learn. Providing opportunities for parents and families to feel valued and supported.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES: The principles and core values which guide decisions relating to our future strategic direction are

*Accessibility *Equity *Quality *Affordability *Respect *Accountability *Safe Environments *Acknowledgment of the Principles of Partnership in the Treaty of Waitangi

Ratified
16 March 2011