Services the Preschool provides for Aboriginal families

Lyrebird Preschool is committed to our Aboriginal families and works hard to form partnerships with many of our local Aboriginal organisations to make sure that each child has the best opportunity to a preschool education. We understand that families face many challenges and by having a supportive and caring culturally sensitive environment families will feel comfortable to leave their children with us.

Some of the organisations that we have working relationships with are:

South Eastern Sydney Illawarra Area Health Service – BINJI BOORI come to do the Hearing and Speech assessments at Lyrebird preschool. Our Aboriginal children at Lyrebird preschool have Hearing and Speech assessments done every year. This is because we want to see all of our Aboriginal children starting kindergarten with any of these problems. This will give them a great start to their education and transition to school.

Binji and Boori come into the preschool to help with the medical screening. If we do have any children with any problems then they get referred a medical practitioner for further follow up, many of our families choose to use the local Aboriginal medical Service in this instance.

54 Worrigee St, Nowra Phone: 44239900

Website: www.sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au

Department of prime minister and cabinet have helped use out with funding so that we can do projects at Lyrebird Preschool and to help with all Aboriginal children's education and attendance to preschool and help us let parents know of the importance of sending their child to preschool.

Department prime minister and cabinet Berry Street, Nowra

Phone: 44292270

Website: www.pmc.gov.au

Noah's Inclusion services provide flexible, high quality services to children with additional needs and caring support to their families. It is an early childhood early intervention centre run by parents and local community members. Early intervention services support families of children with a delay in development or a disability. This includes therapy, education and support services that assist families to help their child grow and develop.

Lyrebird Preschool has a strong link with Noah's and has had many children with additional needs attending Noah's as well as the preschool. We are also part of the Koori kids together program.'s Inclusion services Inc

Noah's Building (No. 303)

Shoalhaven Campus of Wollongong University George Evans Road, Mundamia, West Nowra NSW 2541

Phone: 44235022

Website: www.noahsark.nsw.edu.au

Waminda provides help and support to women and their families. Lyrebird preschool often takes referrals and also links in to gain support for our families where need be, Waminda provide a wholistic, cultural and overall supportive unique service for Aboriginal women and their families.

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