

EREA Charter Link

As an early education centre in the tradition of Maria Montessori and Edmund Rice, we aspire to be faithful to the EREA Charter and Four Touchstones.

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Indooroopilly Montessori Children's House



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Expression

A Montessori Early Learning Centre in the Edmund Rice Tradition:

1. Encourages all members of the community to work to the best of their ability to realise their potential and to strive for equity and excellence
2. Serves the needs of each person, providing teaching and learning experiences that nurture natural curiosity, creativity and individual thinking and encourages independent.
3. Provides an environment that enables the children to succeed and achieve learning outcomes within a safe and healthy environment
4. Provides a holistic education that recognises the connectedness of mind, body and spirit.
5. Supports the children in partnership with their parents in developing a love of learning, reflective curiosity, resilience, tolerance, responsibility and respect for themselves, others and the community in which they live.



Gospel Spirituality

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1. Provides a way of connecting with people and involves deeply held values about what is right and wrong and how one needs to conduct themselves.
2. Nourishes children's spirituality by creating a two way learning process between the child and the adult, where there will be opportunities for reflection, sharing of sacred stories, rituals and prayer.
3. A belief that nurturing children's spirituality supports their sense of self, self-esteem and promotes positive relationships with others.
4. Develops in children a strong spiritual base that will assist them to navigate their world, problem solve, make positive choices, become resilient and provide them with the tools for healthy and happy lives now and into the future.
5. Models the Gospel values of forgiveness and reconciliation by the manner in which conflict is resolved;
6. Provides formation opportunities for its members in their own sacred story and their call to mission by looking at the mystery of God in all creation; the charism of the Blessed Edmund Rice; the philosophy of Maria Montessori; the inspiration of the Christian Brothers and the spirit of Jesus
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1. Cultivates each child's ability to stand up for him/herself and for others and act in the face of bias and injustice.
2. Promotes equal relations among nationalities, races, religions, genders and children with additional needs.
3. Recognises the traditional ownership and cultural heritage of indigenous peoples of Australia and welcomes them into it
4. Promotes social inclusion and views diversity as beneficial to a liberating education
5. Is sensitive to the economic situation of each of its families designing programs to empower all to participate with dignity and confidence.
6. Acknowledges the primary role of parents and guardians in the growth and development of the child and provides opportunities for their participation in the life of the Centre.
7. Ensures that each child is able to:
 - Feel good about who they are
 - Feel comfortable with similarities and differences in others
 - Recognise bias and stereotypes and know they can hurt
8. Provides care that nurtures the dignity of each child.



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A Montessori Early Learning Centre in the Edmund Rice Tradition:

1. Develops a curriculum that integrates the themes of justice and peace underpinned by the shared visions of Maria Montessori and Edmund Rice
2. Is committed to working with and walking alongside the indigenous peoples of Australia, advocating justice and promoting reconciliation
3. Recognises that its members are part of a global community and actively supports the development of all humanity.
4. Nurtures a culture of critical reflection and discernment in justice and peace issues.
5. Demonstrates a deep respect for and partnership with the environment, promotes eco justice and works towards a sustainable and regenerative future for all creation.