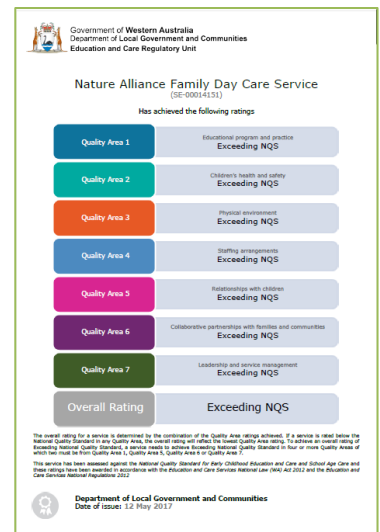


Service Newsletter November 2022

November is the last month of Spring in the southern parts of Australia and the start of the rainy season in the tropical north! This is the time for enjoying the warm weather before it gets too hot! Warm days, beautiful beaches and sunny skies, what more could we ask for? Take time to slow down and enjoy this amazing change of season.....hibernation is officially over!

What does the Notice of Ratings and Assessment mean to you?

Have you noticed this document on your Educator's wall? Do you know what it means? The National Quality Framework (NQF) provides a national approach to regulation, assessment and quality improvement for early childhood education and care across Australia. The National Quality Standard (NQS), which falls within the NQF, set a high national benchmark for the sector. It includes 7 quality areas that are important outcomes for your children (Program & Practice, Children's Health & Safety, Physical Environment, Staffing Arrangements, Relationships with Children, Collaborative Partnerships with Families & Communities, and Governance & Leadership). Each service across Australia is assessed and rated by their regulatory authority against the NQS and given a rating for each of the 7 quality areas and an overall rating based on these results. Nature Alliance was last assessed in 2017 and we were rated as Exceeding the NQS in all 7 quality areas. Not only is this document a wonderful representation of the amazing work that your Educator does, but it is also a great reminder of what we expect from our Educators. We are very proud of them!



Government of Western Australia
Department of Local Government and Communities
Education and Care Regulatory Unit

Nature Alliance Family Day Care Service
(SE-00014131)

Has achieved the following ratings

Quality Area 1	Educational programs and practice Exceeding NQS
Quality Area 2	Children's health and safety Exceeding NQS
Quality Area 3	Physical environment Exceeding NQS
Quality Area 4	Staffing arrangements Exceeding NQS
Quality Area 5	Relationships with children Exceeding NQS
Quality Area 6	Collaborative partnerships with families and communities Exceeding NQS
Quality Area 7	Leadership and service management Exceeding NQS
Overall Rating	Exceeding NQS

The overall rating for a service is determined by the combination of the Quality Area ratings achieved. If a service is rated below the National Quality Standard in any Quality Area, the overall rating will reflect the lowest Quality Area rating. To achieve an overall rating of Exceeding National Quality Standard, a service needs to achieve Exceeding National Quality Standard in four or more Quality Areas of which the total for four Quality Areas is Quality Area 1, Quality Area 5, Quality Area 6 or Quality Area 7.

This service has been assessed against the National Quality Standard for Early Childhood Education and Care and School Age Care and these ratings have been recorded in accordance with the Education and Care Services National Law (2010 and 2012) and the Education and Care Services National Regulations 2012.

Department of Local Government and Communities
Date of issue: 12 May 2017

Quality Improvement Plan (QIP)

Did you know that we, as a Service, have a Quality Improvement Plan. The aim of this plan is to help us self-assess our performance in delivering quality education and care and to plan future improvements. This is a document that we are constantly working on, by gathering information from visits and discussions with our Educators and the families they work with. If you would like to have a look at and contribute towards our QIP please don't hesitate to contact the office and we will gladly share it with you.

Nature Alliance's Value Statement

Nature Alliance has always listed our "mission" and our "vision" but never our values. Over the last few months staff have worked collaboratively with Dee Roche as facilitator and collectively formed "Our Values". This highlighted how close we are as a team, and all feel very strongly about these four values – Trust, Empathy, Honest & Respect. This snapshot of Nature Alliance has been captured on a single page document that is available on our [webpage](#).

Reconciliation

The [Uluru Statement from The Heart](#) is an invitation to ask Australian people to ask to accept and walk together in a movement of the Australian people for a better future. We encourage you to have a read of The Uluru Statement of the Heart and have your say.

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KIDDO

We are excited to share with you amazing resources from [KIDDO](#) that will support you to support and encourage your children to be active. We encourage you to sign up for this FREE resource which has a focus on fun (both you and your family)

Parenting Resources

We've recently watched some parenting videos which we have found very inspiring and wish to share the links to a few of them:

Every Parent Needs to Know This: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AiNh9ZEHXvo>

How to Become a Better Parent: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Hn0Yn1CUzo>

The Conscious Parent Part 1: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c4HBqR0aov4>

The Conscious Parent Part 2: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G6cvX13tdl4>

We are also constantly adding interesting resources on our [website](#), so please check in there regularly.

Super Healthy Kids

For those busy parents doing an amazing job at juggling work with home duties, we have come across a great Facebook page with healthy & easy recipes. Super Healthy Kids is an online resource for parents who are looking for ideas, recipes, and tips for feeding their kids healthier and living better. [Super Healthy Kids](#)

School Holidays

If you require your school aged children to be in care with your Educators over the summer holidays, please ensure you book your days as soon as possible to avoid missing out. Your Educator will then make a booking change for you to approve to lock in your sessions.

Policies Being Updated

The following policies are currently being reviewed and we would love your feedback! Please go to [our website](#) to access these policies and forward any suggestions, comments or feedback to info@naturealliancefdc.com.au before the end of the month.

1.2 Sun Protection

1.3 Water Safety

1.4 Sleep & Rest

4. Serious Incidents, Emergency & Evacuation

7. Governance & Management of the Family Day Care Service

10. Enrolment & Placement of Children

11. Participation of Volunteers & Students on Practicum Placement

35. Governance

Calendar of Events:

Here are some important events over the month of November & December 2022 that might be of interest:

7th to 13th November 2022 - [Recycling Week](#); 7th to 13th November 2022 - [National Cervical Cancer Awareness Week](#); 11th November 2022- [Remembrance Day](#); 18th November 2022 - [White Ribbon Day](#); 12th to 19th November 2022 - [Australian Food Safety Week](#); 19th to 27th November 2022 - [Social Inclusion Week](#); 1st to 30th November 2022 - [Movember](#); 5th December 2022 - [International Volunteer Day](#); 10th December 2022 - [International Animal Rights Day](#); 10th December 2022 - [Human Rights Day](#)

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