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## Transition - 'Come & Play' for 2024

Dear 2024 Curiosity Families,

It has been a wonderful time meeting all our new families who will be joining our learning community in 2024. I pray that there is a wonderful sense of excitement for all our children around the potential that next year holds for each child. As a team we hold great excitement for our fifth year as a Curiosity Community as we reflect on what we have achieved since opening in 2020.

As a School and ELC, we believe that everyone within our community should be 'Active and connected, growing for LIFE!' Part of supporting this vision is the desire to transition families and their children into our Centre with intentional purpose and great care. We value our family partnerships and believe that this creates a strong sense of belonging and connectedness.

We believe that transition begins with building relationships and engaging with all stakeholders who are part of a child's learning journey, including the child.

## Love:

- We appreciate that each child is unique and therefore their transition pathways will reflect this.
- We build on current and prior experiences of the child to ensure positive transition.
- We build relationships with parents and carers at each stage of learning.

## Optimism:

- We seek out regular opportunities to engage our students in meaningful interactions that builds a sense of belonging.
- Students face transition with courage, which is underpinned with the understanding that social and emotional development can support successful transition.

## Creativity:

• We create innovative ways to develop partnerships across all stages of learning from Curiosity and other sites of learning.

Next week our 'Come & Play' sessions commence. A time for our current and new children to meet each other and engage in play at Curiosity.

This will include the children that are currently enrolled with us and will continue in 2024. We ask that your child attends all three sessions. The dates and times are:

- Thursday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of November from 8:30 10:30am. 1 parent to attend with child.
- Thursday the  $30^{th}$  of November from 8:30-10:30am. Optional for parent to attend.
- Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> of December from 8:30 10:30am. Child to attend alone. Parents are invited to join the ELC Director and School Leadership for morning tea at the school.

Children who currently attend the morning program are welcome to still attend.

The children are welcome to wear their casual clothes to each of these sessions or their Curiosity uniform for added excitement. Please bring along a labelled hat and drink bottle. A healthy snack will be provided.

It is important that we observe children in play and at work with each other before confirming learning teams for 2024. This will be communicated to all families via Storypark the week prior to our final session together. We thank you for your patience and trust in us as we work through these very important allocations.

We look forward to introducing you to the Curiosity community. In partnership with you,
Jacqui Gliddon



