

Newsletter



The Noongar Season 'Kambarang' is represented by the colour yellow as it symbolises the return of the hot weather. During Kambarang season, we see an abundance of colours and flowers exploding all around us. The yellows of many of the acacias continue to abound, along with some of the banksias and many other smaller delicate flowering plants including the kangaroo paw and orchids.

Kaya Friends

As we round out the year, we have one last shindig for you, an evening of fun and frivolity with a little bit of provocation to spark your thinking as you break over Christmas. We will be announcing this shortly and are just locking in the booking.

We have had a super busy year and some great things have been achieved together, but the last minute 'Play Picnic' that was pulled together in less than 2 weeks was a busy high light and I thank Pauline, Amie and Cassie for getting this off the ground. Working with the Minister for Early Education and Care and showing our support of the 'Play Picnic' will continue to show that ECA really is the leader in this space.

I wish to thank our outgoing committee members and those standing down this year, and we will welcome in a new batch of 4 people for a 3 year term shortly. Voting is open till this Friday so make your vote count.

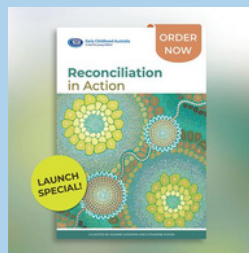
If you have any suggestions as what you would like to see for next year, please do get in contact before we get together to set our planning agenda for 2024.

Keep an eye out for that email about our event, and see you soon.

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Tanya Steers

ECA Publications



Reconciliation in Action

A curated collection of stories that paint a picture of reconciliation from multiple perspectives, as it is now and as it might be in the future. Suitable for all early childhood education managers, leaders and professionals. Edited by Catharine Hydon and Joanne Goodwin, this resource includes practice stories, provocations and reflections to amplify voices to influence and effect real change within early childhood education and care. Take the next step in your reconciliation journey today. Scan the QR to purchase:



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ECA'S STATEMENT ON *play*



PICTURES FROM OUR ECA WA'S PLAY PICNIC FOR CHILDREN'S WEEK!



 Early Childhood Australia
A voice for young children
**EARLY CHILDHOOD AUSTRALIA'S
STATEMENT ON
*play***

EVERY CHILD HAS A UNIVERSAL RIGHT TO PLAY—PLAY IS ESSENTIAL & VALUABLE.

Play is essential and valuable in its own right and for children's learning and development: every child has a right to have play in their life.

PRINCIPLE ONE

Every child has a right to a balance of play experiences that develop a healthy mind and body and a sense of wellbeing.

PRINCIPLE TWO

Play builds each child's capacity for communication and develops language and thinking skills.

PRINCIPLE THREE

Through play, children develop a sense of self and the emotional and social competence to participate in relationships.

PRINCIPLE FOUR

Play connects children to their world, their cultural identities, to others and to other ways of knowing, doing and being.

PRINCIPLE FIVE

Children's right to play is our collective responsibility: all adults have a role in understanding, protecting and valuing the importance of play for every child, in every community.

PRINCIPLE SIX

This Statement considers play and young children aged from birth to eight years. The right to play, however, extends to every child of any age, ability or background and is relevant in schools and other learning environments, services, and communities in which children participate.

Download a free PDF of the ECA Statement on Play via the QR code or purchase a printed copy from our online shop.

