

CHILDCARE CHECKLIST

Childcare Centre's name:

BASICS BASICS



- ☐ Is access easy and safe, with ample parking nearby?
- ☐ Is pram / bike / scooter storage offered?
- ☐ Is the sign in and out process secure & straightforward?
- ☐ Is there a daily record of children's sleep, food/bottles & nappy changes / toileting?

- ☐ Are breakfast, lunch and snacks or formula & bottles provided?
- ☐ Is there an onsite qualified chef with a variety of meals prepared fresh daily?
- ☐ Can your child's dietary requirements be catered to?
- ☐ Is there clear communication regarding children's allergies and implementation of allergy-safe practices / first aid training and managing anaphylaxis?
- ☐ Can breastmilk be stored and bottle fed by the educators?
- ☐ Are parents welcome to visit during the day to breastfeed / Is there a breastfeeding room or space offered?

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NAPTIME



- ☐ Is there a separate supervised sleeping room?
- ☐ Are floor bed mats / bedding provided for older children's rest times?

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TOILET POTTY



- ☐ Are regular nappy change times scheduled throughout the day?
- ☐ Are nappies & wipes provided?
- ☐ Are educators happy to continue with home toilet training routines?

- ☐ Does the service have a clear educational philosophy?
- ☐ Are the educators guided by the EYLF in their planning and delivery of teaching and learning activities?
- ☐ Does each room / age group have a clear & consistent daily routine?
- ☐ Is there a balance of child-led and educator led-learning with opportunities for individual, small group and large group learning?
- ☐ Are parents provided with regular updates on their child's participation and progress?
- ☐ Is there an app to facilitate communication between educators and parents?
- ☐ Are parents offered regular opportunities to discuss children's progress with educators?
- ☐ Does the service have a good community connection? Are there regular incursions, excursions and family events/celebrations?

LEARNING LEARNING LEARNING



Thoughts?

Add your notes here:

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SPACE SPACE SPACE



- ☐ Are sun hats, water bottles and sunscreen provided? And do educators apply children's sunscreen throughout the day?
- ☐ Are there Sun-smart initiatives in place with well shaded play spaces?
- ☐ Is there a wide variety of good quality indoor/outdoor resources and safe equipment? And a variety of engaging age-appropriate toys?
- ☐ Are the spaces and resources clean and well-maintained?
- ☐ Is fencing secure? Is there good visibility for educators to supervise all areas?
- ☐ Are the indoor facilities clean, well maintained with adequate heating / cooling? Good ventilation and windows for fresh air and natural light?

- ☐ Are the centre's team welcoming, responsive and informative?
- ☐ Does the service feel warm, homely and inclusive of diversity?
- ☐ Are the educator team happy, open and approachable?
- ☐ Do the educators and children seem happy together and engaged in their learning environments?
- ☐ Do you feel the staff and facilities are adequately equipped to cater to your child's individual needs?

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Extra Questions

- What is their behaviour management plan?
- How do educators help children with separation anxiety?
- Do any educators speak any other languages - and can my child attend if they don't speak English?