

# Nature Play Policy

## Including short walks, paddock play and bush kindy

At Netherby Kindergarten the Natural Environment is a strong focus in our curriculum.

We value Nature Play and believe every child should access their natural surroundings every day. Nature play sessions will be provided everyday either going for a short walk within the community, accessing the paddock area located next door to kindergarten or walking down to the Waite Arboretum for Bush Kindy experiences.

### **During Nature play opportunities educators Will-**

- Support and extend children's learning and curiosity within the natural learning environment
- Step back but tune in to children's wonderings and theories.
- Follow risk assessment and emergency plans
- Apply first aid when needed
- Encourage children to take risks and explore
- Learn alongside other students
- Follow preschool behaviour policy

### **Families will-**

- Dress children appropriate to weather conditions
- Obey speed limit in the drive way while entering and exiting kindergarten.
- Communicate with Kindergarten Educators upon arrival and departure during nature play times