

The benefits of being a nurturing educator

Children need a nurturing educator who meets all of their physical, emotional and psychological needs. Here are some benefits to being a nurturing educator...



Secure attachments

Children who are nurtured have their cues responded to consistently when they are tired, hungry, sad, or distressed. This allows children to feel supported and valued which helps form secure attachments that are the basis for all learning.



Child-focused practices

Nurturing educators, by their very way of being, put children at the centre of their decisions and prioritise children in their practices. This not only supports the child but also increases the quality of practices and aligns with the NQS.



Decreased behavioural issues

Children who feel supported and valued tend to have less behavioural issues as their needs are met. They feel confident and secure in themselves and can therefore self-regulate when things don't go to plan. They also have a circle of security to help them so they don't feel alone.



Increased sense of self

Children who have had their needs met consistently with support and guidance get to learn who they are as they can spend time exploring this, instead of feeling anxious, overwhelmed or abandoned. Nurturing children helps them know what they need and increase self-identity.



Learning opportunities

Children who are not in constant turmoil form more neural pathways, they have increased language skills, increased emotional intelligence, increased problem solving skills, and achieve higher developmental outcomes. Nurturing children helps them engage with learning.