

**“Children have the right
to say what they think
should happen and have
their opinions taken
into account”**

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Children First Alliance Founding Members



**Belconnen
Community
Service**

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About the ACT Children First Alliance

The ACT Children First Alliance (the Alliance) is a network of longstanding not-for-profit providers of children's service in the Australian Capital Territory (ACT), including early learning centres (ELCs), family day care, preschool and after school care.

There is a significant body of research that demonstrates the importance of Early Childhood Education and Care (ECEC) on a child's social, emotional, educational and economic wellbeing across the lifespan. Despite this, more than one in five ACT children were developmentally vulnerable when entering school.

The Alliance was established to develop and communicate a shared vision for ECEC in the ACT and to ensure that all children have access to ECEC. The ten community ECEC providers that make up this Alliance operate 46 ELCs with 3,543 places. The Alliance has ten Founding Members:

- Anglicare NSW South, NSW West & ACT
- Belconnen Community Service
- Communities@Work
- Community Services #1
- Goodstart Early Learning ACT
- MOCCA
- Northside Community Service
- Woden Community Service
- YMCA Canberra
- YWCA Canberra

The Alliance's approach involves:

- Developing policy and program priorities based on the evidence-base and experience of Alliance members;
- Working with the ACT Government to progress these reforms;
- Working collaboratively with like-minded stakeholders; and
- Communicating information about these reforms with the ACT community.

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Introduction

Children's Week is celebrated in Australia annually to coincide with Universal Children's Day 'which is celebrated in Australia on the fourth Wednesday of October.

This year Children's Week is being held between Friday 19 October and Sunday 28 October.

The *United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child* identified that investment in the early years is critical for children, as during this period children experience the most rapid period of growth and change during the human lifespan. Throughout the early years children actively make sense of the physical, social and cultural dimensions of the world they inhabit, and the earliest years provide the foundation for their physical and mental health.

Access to quality Early Childhood Education and Care develops lifelong skills, resilience and wellbeing that can immunise against future disadvantage and harm. Greater exposure to quality ECEC enhances the employment and economic prospects of children when they become adults.

The 2018 theme of Children's Week is based on Article 12 of The *United Nations Convention on The Rights of The Child*:

"When adults are making decisions that affect children, children have the right to say what they think should happen and have their opinions taken into account ... This Convention encourages adults to listen to the opinions of children and involve them in decision-making..."

To align with this theme, this report presents children's voices on the things that are most important to them, as well as the things they like about their Early Learning Centres, teachers and educators. Fifteen Early Learning Centres from across Canberra engaged their children in discussions. These Early Learning Centres are:

- Abacus Child Care and Education Centre, Comms@Work
- Appletree House Child Care & Education Centre, Comms@Work
- Belconnen Early Childhood Centre, Belconnen Community Service
- Binara Early Childhood Centre, Community Services #1
- Calwell Early Childhood Centre, Anglicare NSW South, NSW West & ACT
- Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra
- Conder Early Childhood Services, YWCA Canberra
- Goodstart Early Learning – Braddon, Goodstart Early Learning ACT
- Goodstart Early Learning – Garran, Goodstart Early Learning ACT
- Goodstart Early Learning – Turner, Goodstart Early Learning ACT
- Harrison Early Childhood Centre, Northside Community Service
- Illoura Child Care and Education Centre, Comms@Work
- Lollipop Early Learning Centre, Woden Community Service
- Richardson Child Care and Education Centre, Comms@Work
- Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

"My dog."
Sienna, 4 years
 Appletree House Child
 Care & Education
 Centre, Comms@Work

**"Anderson and mum
 and dad."**
Amelie, 3 years
 Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

**"I love going to
 the shops."**
Alex, 4 years
 Goodstart Early Learning
 - Turner, Goodstart Early
 Learning ACT

**"I like playing
 with toys at
 home."**
Elodie, 4 years
 Goodstart Early Learning
 - Turner, Goodstart Early
 Learning ACT



**"Georgia playing
 with me makes
 me happy."**
Alex, 4 years
 Campbell Cottage,
 YWCA Canberra

**"I love to play
 here (school)."**
Aanya, 3 years
 Goodstart Early Learning - Turner,
 Goodstart Early Learning ACT

**"My brand-new
 shoes."**
Delilah, 5 years
 Illoura Child Care and
 Education Centre,
 Comms@Work

"Georgia playing with me makes me happy." Alex 4

The most important things to me

**"My family and
 my sister."**
Ari, 4 years
 Appletree House Child Care
 & Education Centre,
 Comms@Work

"Mummy, Daddy and Mia."
Ava, 3 years
 Calwell Early Childhood Centre, Anglicare
 NSW South, NSW West & ACT

"My daddy."
Annabel, 3 years
 Abacus Child Care and
 Education Centre,
 Comms@Work

**"Playing with
 teachers."**
Malak, 5 years
 Conder Early Childhood
 Services, YWCA Canberra

**"Looking after
 my sister and
 making sure
 she doesn't
 do something
 wrong."**
Addyson, 5 years
 Abacus Child Care
 and Education Centre,
 Comms@Work

**"Ice-cream with my
 family on holidays."**
Ashton, 5 years
 Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra

"Colour in at home."
Annabelle, 3 years
 Richardson Child Care and
 Education Centre, Comms@Work

**"Playing outside
 with my Alfie and
 my family."**
Eddy, 5 years
 Winyu House,
 YWCA Canberra

**"Going to
 Disneyland
 makes me
 happy."**
Beau, 4 years
 Campbell Cottage,
 YWCA Canberra



"Going shopping."
Ava, 3 years
 Campbell Cottage,
 YWCA Canberra

**"Mummy giving
 me cuddles."**
Dylan, 4 years
 Campbell Cottage,
 YWCA Canberra

"Going to Disneyland makes me happy." Beau 4

"I love babies."
Ophelia, 3 years
Goodstart Early Learning
– Turner, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

**"I like the teachers
being nice."**
Olivia, 4 years
Lollipop Early Learning Centre,
Woden Community Service

**"Friends don't
snatch toys."**
Lily, 4 years
Lollipop Early Learning Centre,
Woden Community Service

**"My mummy
and daddy."**
Hugo, 4 years
Abacus Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

**"I like doing
things that make
me happy and
when my mummy
and daddy tell
me I am doing
good things."**
Niamh, 3 years
Abacus Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

"Playing outside."
Lillian, 4 years
Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

"I love playing with Eve."
Maggie, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Turner,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

**"If I fall over and
someone helps
me, it makes me
happy."**
Myka, 4 years
Campbell Cottage,
YWCA Canberra

The most important things to me

**"Watching
Ninja Turtles."**
Oliver, 4 years
Campbell Cottage,
YWCA Canberra



**"My friends are the most
important thing and
drawing. Everyone has
to be nice."**
Marie, 5 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Braddon,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

**"I like playing
with big dump
trucks."**
James, 4 years
Richardson Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

**"To be good and speak to
one another nicely."**
Mia C, 4 years
Binara Early Childhood Centre,
Community Services #1

**"When its morning and all
my friends come
and my teachers come
and we all play together."**
Manha, 5 years
Belconnen Early Childhood Centre,
Belconnen Community Service

**"Going on
camping
holidays."**
Elsie, 5 years
Campbell Cottage,
YWCA Canberra

"Painting."
Lux, 4 years
Winyu House,
YWCA Canberra

"Smiles."
Maggie, 5 years
Belconnen Early Childhood Centre,
Belconnen Community Service

"Eating with my friends."
Ollie, 2 years
Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

**"Being on my
best behavior."**
**Levi and Alyssa,
5 and 4 years**
Conder Early Childhood
Services, YWCA Canberra

"Rules. Because we need to listen."

Landon, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning
– Garran, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

"That my mummy has to look after me. If my mummy gets sick, I have to look after her and my daddy has to look after me."

Indyana, 3 years
Abacus Child Care and Education
Centre, Comms@Work

"I like to live quietly when my Mum and Dad give me food."

Evie, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Braddon,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

"I like to live quietly when my Mum and Dad give me food."

Evie, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning
– Braddon, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

"My mummy and daddy."

Oscar, 3 years
Abacus Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work



"Me, Mummy and Milly. Milly's Mummy too. Playing Milly, and Milly loves pink with me."

Penelope, 3 years
Calwell Early Childhood Centre,
Anglicare NSW South, NSW West & ACT

"I like big school."

Kye, 4 years
Richardson Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

The most important things to me

"Ninja Turtles."

Levi, 3 years
Winyu House,
YWCA Canberra

"My Mum."

Isabel, 4 years
Appletree House Child Care &
Education Centre, Comms@Work

"Going to outer space."

Sawyer, 4 years
Illoura Child care and Education
Centre, Comms@Work

"Doing work."

Levi, 4 years
Richardson Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

"My mummy, my daddy and my home."

Esha, 4 years
Belconnen Early Childhood
Centre, Belconnen
Community Service

"Friends."

Ryan, 5 years
Calwell Early Childhood Centre,
Anglicare NSW South, NSW West & ACT



"Telling the truth."

Ellie, 4 years
Conder Early
Childhood Services,
YWCA Canberra

"I like going outside."

Sylvia, 3 years
Goodstart Early Learning
– Turner, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

"Playing outside with my brother Connor."

Flynn, 3 years
Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

"No pinching. And I like painting here."

Shreya, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Garran,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

"Lillian."

Ethan, 4 years
Winyu House,
YWCA Canberra

"Fire engine."

Hunter, 2 years
Conder Early Childhood
Services, YWCA Canberra

"I love blocks."

Matilda, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Turner,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

**"Playing with my
friends."**

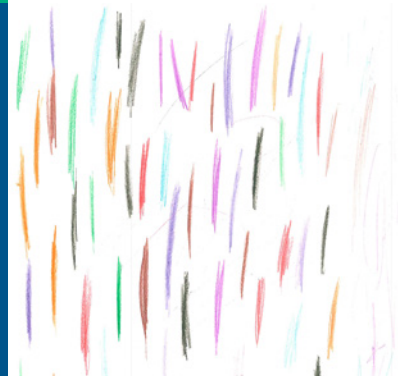
Harry, 5 years
Campbell Cottage,
YWCA Canberra

"Being good at Maths."

Priyanka, 6 years
Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

**"Watching
Jurassic World."**

Sam, 4 years
Richardson Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work



The most important things to me

"Having friends."

Tyler, 3 years
Conder Early Childhood
Services, YWCA Canberra

**"I don't want to leave my
toys."**

Grace, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Garran,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

"Toys."

Shardul, 3 years
Belconnen Early Childhood
Centre, Belconnen
Community Service

**"My My Little
Pony toy."**

Tilly, 3 years
Richardson Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work



"Batman."

Xavier, 3 years
Belconnen Early Childhood Centre,
Belconnen Community Service,
Belconnen Early Childhood Centre,
Belconnen Community Service

"I love my whole family."

Violet, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Garran,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

"Playing kind."

Zack, 5 years
Illoura Child care and
Education Centre,
Comms@Work



"Riding bikes."

Aanya, 3 years
Lollipop Early Learning
Centre, Woden
Community Service

"I like playing at school."

Aanya, 3 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Turner,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

**"I like helping the teachers
because I'm bigger."**

Addyson, 3 years
Abacus Child Care and Education
Centre, Comms@Work

**"Play, play, play
all of the time."**

**That's what
I like."**
Aisha, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning
– Garran, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

**"I love that I
get to play at
school."**

Alex, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning
– Turner, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

**"I like to go in the sandpit
because I like digging
with the big diggers."**

Alexander, 4 years
Binara Early Childhood Centre

"Lunch."

Angel, 4 years
Conder Early Childhood
Services, YWCA Canberra

**"I like the craft
area, we like to
draw and paint
because we can
make things
for mummy
and daddy."**

**Annabella,
4 years**
Binara Early
Childhood Centre

The things I like most about my Early Learning Centre

"I like when Zo-Zo is here."

Annabel, 3 Years
Abacus Child Care and Education
Centre, Comms@Work



**"I like playing with my
friends and collecting
all the rocks."**

Ari, 4 years
Appletree House Child Care &
Education Centre, Comms@Work

"Painting."
**Annabelle,
3 years**

Richardson Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

**"Because it is so
fun at Binara."**

August, 3 years
Binara Early
Childhood Centre

**"I love playing games
with Quinny and
playing tigers."**

Beatrice 5 years
Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra

"I like drawing."

Beau, 4 years
Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra

**"Because I
like playing
with Husayn,
Benjamin G,
Vivaan and Eloise
and Owen."**

Benjamin, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning
– Garran, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

**"I have my
friends Corey
and Madi"**

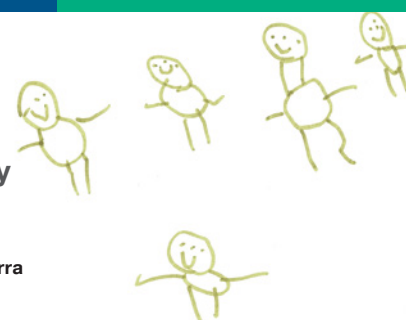
Ava, 3 years
Calwell Early Childhood
Centre, Anglicare NSW
South, NSW West & ACT

**"Making stuff with the
teachers. Being the
special helper and
getting lunches ready. I
like playing with
my friends."**

Delilah, 5 years
Illoura Child care and Education Centre

**"I like coming here
because I get to play
with my friends."**

Ashton, 5 years
Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra





"I like school."
Ava, 3 years
 Campbell Cottage,
 YWCA Canberra

"Outside toys."
Douglas, 3 years
 Lollipop Early Learning Centre,
 Woden Community Service

**"I like to help
 people build
 stuff."**
Dylan, 4 years
 Campbell Cottage,
 YWCA Canberra

**"Lillian and
 Lee – Lee."**
Ethan, 4 years
 Winyu House,
 YWCA Canberra

"My friends."
Esha, 4 years
 Belconnen Early Childhood Centre,
 Belconnen Community Service

"I love playing at school."
Elodie, 4 years
 Goodstart Early Learning – Turner,
 Goodstart Early Learning ACT

**"Cause I like it –
 Cause I like being
 with Chereese."**
Edmund, 5 years
 Winyu House,
 YWCA Canberra

The things I like most about my Early Learning Centre

**"I like driving in
 my car to here."**
Grace, 3 years
 Lollipop Early Learning
 Centre, Woden
 Community Service

"Cause I like Toby."
Flynn, 3 years
 Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

**"This is two people talking to
 each other. I have question
 marks - mine says, "Hi I am
 Connor" and yours says, "Hi
 I am Kirra". This is my friend
 Connor A and he is going
 to say, "Hi, I am Connor A"**
Conor, 5 years
 Harrison Early Childhood Centre,
 Northside Community Service



**"I like that Nilmini gives me
 fruit and vegetables and
 teaches me how to write."**
Evie, 4 years
 Goodstart Early Learning – Braddon,
 Goodstart Early Learning ACT

"I like to paint."
Grace, 4 years
 Goodstart Early Learning – Garran,
 Goodstart Early Learning ACT

**"I like doing
 experiments."**
Harry, 5 years
 Campbell Cottage,
 YWCA Canberra

**"I like reading
 books and
 drawing."**
Elsie, 5 years
 Campbell Cottage,
 YWCA Canberra



**"I like to play outside
 because I can see my
 brother and run around."**
Huon, 4 years
 Binara Early Childhood Centre

**"I love playing
 with my baby
 Jack."**
Hugo, 4 years
 Abacus Child Care
 and Education Centre,
 Comms@Work

**"I like digging
and
playing in the
dirt."**

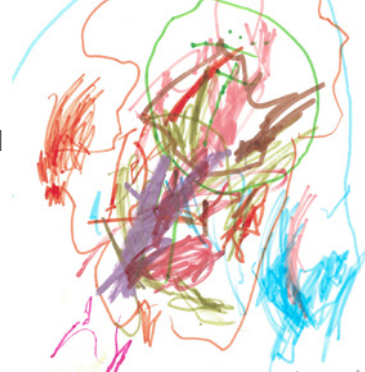
Ivan, 5 years
Campbell Cottage,
YWCA Canberra

**"I like the trees, I like the
toys. I like my friends. I
like my teachers. I like my
lunchum.. I think
I like everything."**

Isabel, 4 years
Appletree House Child Care &
Education Centre, Comms@Work

**"I like playing with CJ and
Oliver in the playground."**

Humphrey, 4 years
Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra



**"I like seeing
Jack."**

Kye, 4 years
Richardson Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

**"I love playing in
the block corner."**

Jasper, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Garran,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

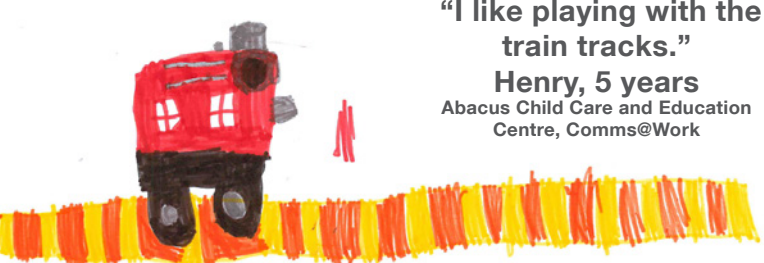
**"Because I love coming
outside with Billy."**

James, 4 years
Richardson Child Care and
Education Centre, Comms@Work

**"I love my
friends and they
like me too."**

Indyana, 3 years
Abacus Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

The things I like most about my Early Learning Centre



**"I like playing with the
train tracks."**

Henry, 5 years
Abacus Child Care and Education
Centre, Comms@Work

**"Everything. Trucks are
my favourite and the
tyres too."**

Landon, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Garran,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

"I like sweeping."

Levi, 4 years
Richardson Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

"Going outside."

Lily 4 years
Lollipop Early Learning
Centre, Woden
Community Service

"Play with my friends."

Lillian, 4 years
Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

**"Playing duck,
duck goose."**

Liam, 4 years
Conder Early Childhood
Services, YWCA Canberra

**"Rest time and
playing
on bikes."**

Levi, 5 years
Conder Early Childhood
Services, YWCA Canberra

**"I like going
over the
wobbly bridge."**

Luke, 4 years
Lollipop Early Learning
Centre, Woden
Community Service

**"I like it here because it looks like
a farm. It has growing vegetables
in the backyard and animals."**

Leo, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Braddon,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT



**"Cause there's
Fireman Sam."**

Levi, 3 years
Winyu House,
YWCA Canberra

"I like Winyu because its mine and I do."
Lux, 4 years
Winyu House,
YWCA Canberra

"I like to do drawing at school."
Maggie, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Turner,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

"I see my friends."
Maggie, 5 years
Belconnen Early Childhood Centre,
Belconnen Community Service

"Because I come here every day when I'm not in Sydney and I see my friends."
Mahna, 5 years
Belconnen Early Childhood Centre, Belconnen
Community Service

"I like to play with my friends Evie, Arabel and Zara."
Marie, 5 years
Goodstart Early Learning
– Braddon, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

"When I come here I get to play with the blocks, then go with a different toy and going back to play with the blocks again."
Mason, 5 years
Abacus Child Care and Education
Centre, Comms@Work

"I like playing games with my friend."
Luke, 3 years
Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra



The things I like most about my Early Learning Centre

"I like colouring in at school and playing with magnets."
Matilda, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning
– Turner, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

"I like playing with my friends at Campbell Cottage and I like to give my friends cuddles."
Myka 4 years
Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra

"I like to go on the slide because I can slide on it."
Mia, 4 years
Binara Early Childhood Centre

"Playing."
Mitchy, 3 years
Conder Early Childhood
Services, YWCA Canberra

"I like to play with my friends. We love to play in the sandpit with spoons in the rain with clouds."
Madeline, 4 years
Harrison Early Childhood
Centre, Northside
Community Service



"Because we can have friends."
Mia, 4 years
Binara Early Childhood Centre

"I like helping pat the children to sleep."
Niamh, 3 years
Abacus Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

"Playing outside. I like doing things outside."
Owen, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning
– Garran, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

"I love coming to play with CJ and Humphrey."
Oliver, 3 years
Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra

"Play with Lillian."
Ollie, 2 years
Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

"I like dancing at school and building with friends."
Ophelia, 3 years
Goodstart Early Learning
– Turner, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

**"Ashley, because
I love her. I like
Kim because
I love her."**

Penelope, 3 years
Calwell Early Childhood
Centre, Anglicare NSW
South, NSW West & ACT

**"Cause theres
good people"**
Priyanka, 6 years
Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

**"Playing with friends, play dough, drawing and
playing." Ryan, 5 years**

Calwell Early Childhood Centre, Anglicare NSW South, NSW West & ACT



"I like Drawing."

Sam, 4 years
Richardson Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

"Playing with the toys."

Sawyer, 4 years
Illoura Child care and Education Centre

"I like drawing"

Savannah, 5 years
Binara Early Childhood Centre

**"Hanging on the
climbing frames."**

Shreya, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning
- Garran, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

The things I like most about my Early Learning Centre

"to play, I'm 3."

Shardul, 3 years
Belconnen Early Childhood
Centre, Belconnen
Community Service

**"I like to build magnets
with my friends. I
also like to play in the
sandpit with my friends
and the oven to
make cupcakes."**

Sarah, 4 years
Harrison Early Childhood Centre,
Northside Community Service



**"Playing
outside."**

Shree, 4 years
Lollipop Early Learning
Centre, Woden
Community Service

**"Because we can
go in the office
with Tanya."**

Sulaf, 3 years
Binara Early
Childhood Centre

**"I like to read in
the library."**

Torah, 4 years
Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra

**"Playing on the cycles
(bikes)."**

Suman, 4 years
Lollipop Early Learning Centre,
Woden Community Service

**"I like the sandpit
the most. I make
yummy cakes.
But don't really
eat them, they
are gross."**

Sienna, 4 years
Appletree House Child
Care & Education
Centre, Comms@Work

**"I like dancing
and gym class at
school."**

Sylvia, 3 years
Goodstart Early Learning
- Turner, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

"Colouring"

Tilly, 3 years
Richardson Child Care and
Education Centre, Comms@Work



**"I like here because I
play Mr Wolf and I can do
games like human body,
planets and chickens."**

Theo, 5 years
Goodstart Early Learning - Braddon,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

“Bringing Teddy.”

Tyler, 3 years

Conder Early Childhood
Services, YWCA Canberra

**“Playing inside
with the trains
and coming
outside playing
with the climbing
frame and the
sandpit.”**

Vivaan, 4 years

Goodstart Early Learning
– Garran, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

“All of the teachers.”

Violet, 4 years

Goodstart Early Learning – Garran,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

The things I like most about my Early Learning Centre

“Toys and my friends.”

Xavier, 3 years

Belconnen Early Childhood Centre,
Belconnen Community Service

**“Go in the toy
cars.”**

William, 3 years

Lollipop Early Learning
Centre, Woden
Community Service

**“I like to play outside,
riding the bikes,
climbing the trees and I
like to play in the
sand pit.”**

William, 4 years

Goodstart Early Learning – Braddon,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT



**“Playing with the trucks
and bike.”**

Zack, 5 years

Illoura Child care and Education Centre



"I like my teachers because they listen to me."
Aanya, 3 years
 Goodstart Early Learning
 – Turner, Goodstart
 Early Learning ACT

"I like spending time with them."
Addyson, 5 years
 Abacus Child Care and Education
 Centre, Comms@Work

"I don't know what I like about my teachers."
Alex M, 4 years
 Goodstart Early Learning – Turner,
 Goodstart Early Learning ACT

"They listen."
Alyssa, 4 years
 Conder Early Childhood
 Services, YWCA Canberra

"Nana, just cause."
Amelie, 3 years
 Winyu House,
 YWCA Canberra

"Playing bear hunt, playing toys with Gupret and reading stories."
Alyssa, 4 years
 Conder Early Childhood
 Services, YWCA Canberra

"I like playing with the teachers."
Alix, 5 years
 Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra



The things I like most about my teachers and educators

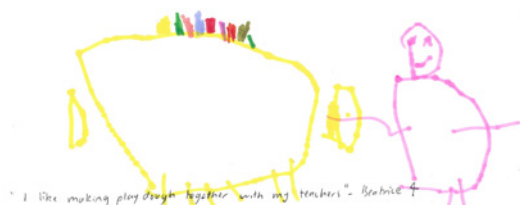
"Playing monsters with Pawan and what is the time Mr Wolf."
Angel, 4 years
 Conder Early Childhood
 Services, YWCA Canberra

"I like it when my teachers give me afternoon tea."
Annabel, 3 years
 Abacus Child Care and Education
 Centre, Comms@Work

"Because I like doing puzzles with them."
Annabelle, 3 years
 Richardson Child Care and
 Education Centre, Comms@Work

"I like when we play together and when they dress up."
Ari, 4 years
 Appletree House Child
 Care & Education
 Centre, Comms@Work

"I like it when we make play dough together."
Beatrice, 5 years
 Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra



"They play (They play with me)."
Ava, 3 years
 Calwell Early Childhood Centre, Anglicare
 NSW South, NSW West & ACT

"Because they play with us."
August, 3 years
 Binara Early Childhood
 Centre, Community
 Services #1

"When they give me cuddles"
Delilah, 5 years
 Illoura Child care and
 Education Centre,
 Comms@Work

"I like teachers giving me a pat at sleep time."
Dylan, 4 years
 Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra



"Cherese cause your just the bestest here."
Eddy (Edmund), 5 years
 Winyu House,
 YWCA Canberra

"I like my teachers because they give me food."

Elodie, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning
– Turner, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

"My teachers are my friends and mummies friends."

Esha, 4 years
Belconnen Early Childhood Centre,
Belconnen Community Service

"One is my favourite – It is Purni."

Ethan, 4 years
Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

"Raj."

Shardul, 3 years
Belconnen Early Childhood Centre,
Belconnen Community Service

"I like Mum cause she teaches me."

Flynn, 3 years
Winyu House,
YWCA Canberra

"I like Max because he plays Mr Wolf with me."

Evie, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Braddon,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT



"I like them when they play with the kids"

Zack, 5 years
Illoura Child care and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

The things I like most about my teachers and educators

"I like Thalita because she plays with me and makes me happy."

Harry, 4 years
Binara Early Childhood Centre, Community Services #1

"I love talking to them - they are so funny."

Hugo, 4 years
Abacus Child Care and Education Centre, Comms@Work

"I like Thalita because she helps us."

Huon, 4 years
Binara Early Childhood Centre, Community Services #1

"I like that they look after me when my mummy's away. I love all my teachers."

Indyana, 3 years
Abacus Child Care and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

"I love, love, love when we get to do painting together."

Isabel, 4 years
Appletree House Child Care & Education Centre, Comms@Work

"We learn things from Sam, Kate, Nancy and teach other people."

Evie, 5 years
Abacus Child Care and Education Centre, Comms@Work



"I like tickles from my teachers."

Ivan, 5 years
Campbell Cottage,
YWCA Canberra

"Carol makes me feel happy."

James, 4 years
Richardson Child Care and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

"I love playing in the block corner."

Jasper, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Garran,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

"I like working with everyone."

Kye, 4 years
Richardson Child Care and Education Centre, Comms@Work

"Story time. Because they set up cars for us."

Landon, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning – Garran, Goodstart Early Learning ACT

**"They play with
toys with us"**
Lauren, 4 years
Binara Early Childhood
Centre, Community
Services #1

"Catboy."
Levi, 3 years
Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

**"Like hearing
Maddy's stories"**
**Liam and Levi,
4 and 5 years**
Conder Early Childhood
Services, YWCA Canberra

**"Because they
do work."**
Levi, 4 years
Richardson Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

**"Playing with
the teachers."**
Levi, 5 years
Conder Early Childhood
Services, YWCA Canberra

**"Bhawna always fills my
water bottle up... She's my
favourite, oh and Nana."**
Lillian, 4 years
Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

**"I like to ask my teachers
when I want to do
something special."**
Lux, 4 years
Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

**"My teachers do
nice things
for me."**
Maggie, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning
- Turner, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

The things I like most about my teachers and educators

**"Raj and Sharon
and sometimes
you."**
Maggie, 5 years
Belconnen Early Childhood
Centre, Belconnen
Community Service

**"Because they are here in
the morning when I come
and they are my friends."**
Manha, 5 years
Belconnen Early Childhood Centre,
Belconnen Community Service

**"That they help me, know
when I need to come
inside and help me
when I need them."**
Mason 5 years
Abacus Child Care and Education
Centre, Comms@Work

**"I love my
teachers."**
Matilda, 4 years
Goodstart Early Learning
- Turner, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT



**"I like playing
games outside"**
Quinn, 4 years
Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra

**"I like Nathan because his
speaking Italian with me."**
Mia C, 4 years
Binara Early Childhood Centre,
Community Services #1

**"I like going for
walks with them
and when they do
nice things
with me."**
Niamh, 3 years
Abacus Child Care
and Education Centre,
Comms@Work

"EVERYTHING!"
Olivia, 4 years
Lollipop Early Learning
Centre, Woden
Community Service

**"I like learning
about my teacher."**
Ophelia, 3 years
Goodstart Early Learning - Turner,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

"Gecko."
Prajwol, 3 years
Winyu House, YWCA Canberra

**"They listen
to me."**
Ryan, 5 years
Calwell Early Childhood
Centre, Anglicare NSW
South, NSW West & ACT

**"Because they are
always quiet"**

Sam, 4 years

Richardson Child Care and
Education Centre, Comms@Work

"Asking them questions"

Sawyer, 4 years

Illoura Child care and Education
Centre, Comms@Work

**"you and raj
help me
and Sharon"**

Xavier, 3 years

Belconnen Early Childhood
Centre, Belconnen
Community Service



**"I like Michelle
reading stories."**

Harry, 5 years

Campbell Cottage, YWCA Canberra

**"Teaching
us about the
countries."**

Shreya, 4 years

Goodstart Early Learning
– Garran, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

The things I like most about my teachers and educators

**"I like having a
cuddle when
I am sad."**

Sienna, 4 years

Appletree House Child
Care & Education
Centre, Comms@Work

"I like my teachers."

Sylvia, 3 years

Goodstart Early Learning – Turner,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

**"Nilmini reads stories and
Max is Mr Wolf."**

Theo, 5 years

Goodstart Early Learning – Braddon,
Goodstart Early Learning ACT

**"I like Ying,
because she
smiles at me and
she always wants
to be my friend."**

Violet, 4 years

Goodstart Early Learning
– Garran, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

**"Nilmini teaches
me how to draw,
how to make
potato men and
about planets."**

William, 4 years

Goodstart Early Learning
– Braddon, Goodstart
Early Learning ACT

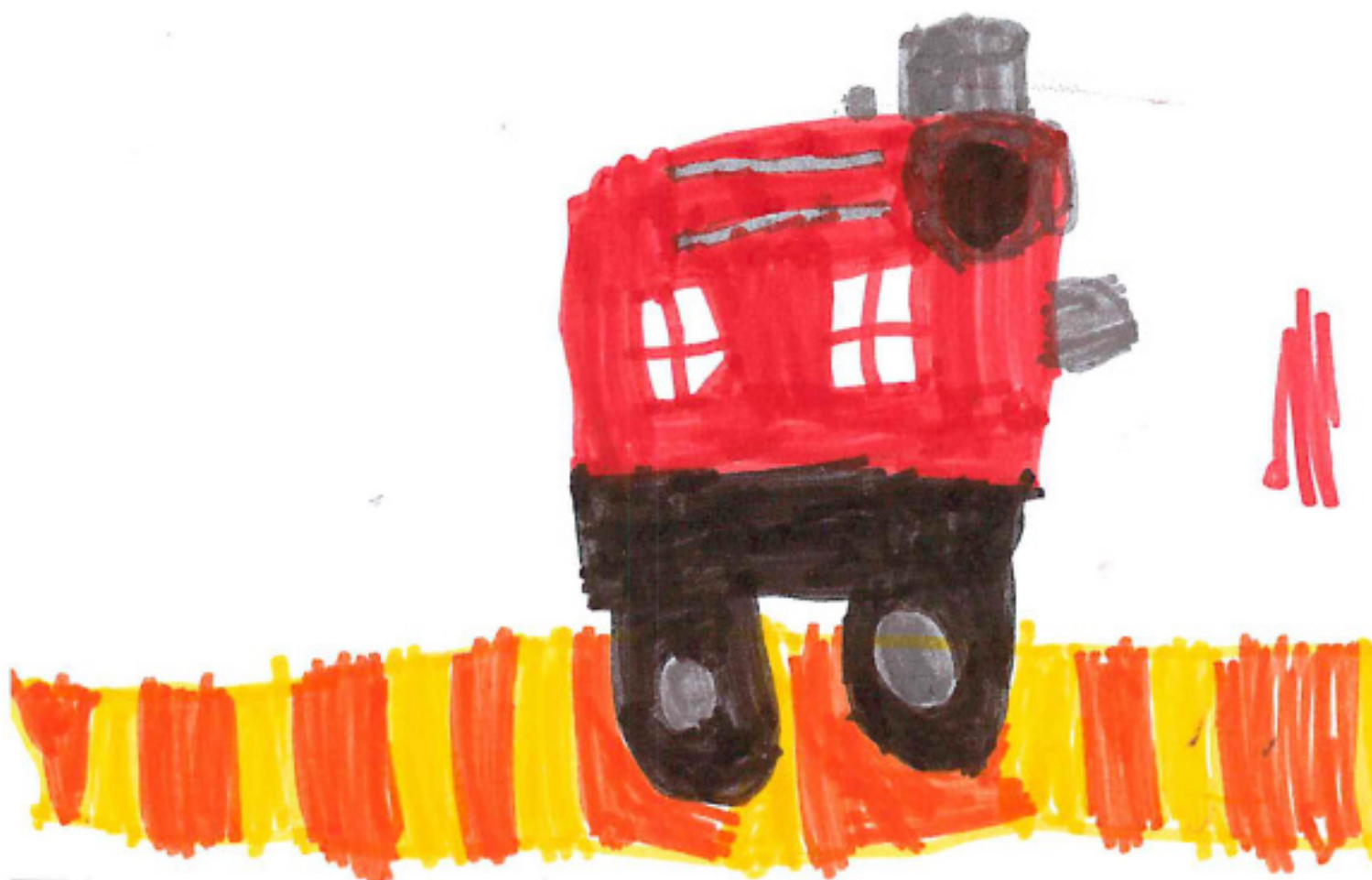
**"Because I love them,
they do things with me"**

Tilly, 3 years

Richardson Child Care and
Education Centre, Comms@Work



"I like playing with the teachers" - Alix 5yrs.







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