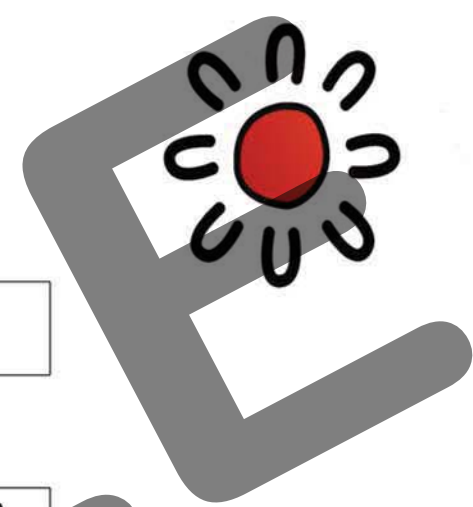




Our Yarning Circle

Date: Monday, 14 June 2021



Focus: **Gratitude - Reasons To Be Thankful**

I am thankful to my big sister for taking care of me - Andrew

Grandpa Bruce tells me many stories. He is very smart - Rodney

Nanna makes me chocolate chip cookies - Matilda

Mummy and Daddy take me to the park to feed the ducks - Bella

Daddy works late at night to buy me toys - thank you daddy - Jeremy

I thank god every day before dinner with my Grandma - Bridget

Thank you to my teachers for looking after me - Scott

My mummy cooks my favourite food for me when I'm hungry -Isabela

Thank you to my friends for playing with me every day - Amelia

I love my family and my dog and 2 cats. Thank you my family. - Oscar

Children were eager to share what they are thankful for. Each child that shared their story did so with a huge smile on their face. Thankfulness is a socio-emotional habit that young children explore from an early age. Creating a gratitude tree helps young children express appreciation for the people and events that influence their lives. By understanding thankfulness young children can build sensitivities towards the feelings of others, develop empathy and other life-skills.

A yarning circle, used by Aboriginal people for thousands of years, is the practice of speaking and listening from the heart, for sitting together to talk, to listen and to share ideas and stories.