

**How do we keep
children safe at
St Anne's...??
(as safe as we can!)**



*Although, tomorrow is the last
day of
NATIONAL
CHILD PROTECTION WEEK.....
our work in relation to "keeping
children safe" continues!*



Our work at St Anne's is guided not only by the Department of Education's Early Childhood Education and Care National Regulations, but also by a number of documents and best-practice guidelines...it is then up to us to 'enact' this 'best practice' as guided by:

- St Anne's Philosophy Statement—*It is paramount in this partnership that we provide a safe place for the children in our care.*
- Recruiting procedures and Policy
- St Anne's Staff Code of Conduct
- Staff Unsatisfactory Performance Policy
- Child Protection Policy
- Interactions with Children Policy
- Providing a Child Safe Environment Policy
- Delivery and Collection of Children Policy
- Guiding Social Competence Policy
- Supporting and Responding to Children's Self Regulation
- Sun Protection Policy
- Water Safety Policy
- Safe Sleep, Rest and Relaxation Policy
- Infection Control Policy (including COVID-19 safe practices)
- Fire and Emergency Response Policy
- Referencing the Protective Behaviours programmes in our work with your children such as the Bravehearts personal safety education programme (Ditto) which promotes personal safety messages to young children, and, the SAFE book series – Protective Behaviours Program from the NSW Office of Children's Guardian. *Sam, Andy, Fiona and Eve are the stars of the SAFE book series, a set of four books containing protective behaviour messages for children 2-6 years old. The books support the rights of children and promote them having a voice.*
- Reiterating in our programmes with children that they have the 'right to feel safe' and teaching them strategies they can use to 'keep themselves safe'....even for the very youngest "Stop! I don't like that!"

*Please don't
hesitate to ask if
you would like a
copy of any of
these policies
noted in this
special Newsletter.*

Kind regards, Narelle Dewhurst and St Anne's Staff Team.