Under the *Education and Care Services National Regulations 2012* our Service is legally required to implement the National Quality Standard (NQS). The NQS aims to support centre - based services like ours to deliver better quality early childhood education and care for all Australian children.

Our Centre's aim is to exceed the National Quality Standards across all areas of our Service. Each centre has a quality improvement plan in place to show what is happening in our centre to achieve this. There are seven quality areas in the NQS and our practices are assessed against 58 elements in total. The QA's are as follows;

QA1 Educational program and practice

QA2 Children's health and safety

QA3 Physical environment

QA4 Staffing arrangements

QA5 Relationships with children

QA6 Collaborative partnerships with families and communities

QA7 Leadership and Service management

The NQS is administered and regulated by the Education and Care Regulatory Unit in WA (for more information go to, http://www.communities.wa.gov.au).