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I value the importance of relationships between children, teachers, and the wider whanau. I feel that it is important to engage in a community of learners within the child's learning environment to support their well-being and belonging.

The importance of working in a collaborative team, is an essential part of my philosophy. This supports the essence of whanaungatanga.

I value an inclusive learning environment, where children can share their ideas and contribute towards their own learning. Children should feel empowered to work together and drive their own learning enriching children's existing and new working theories and dispositions.

I have a strong commitment to biculturalism within my teaching. This links to my values of inclusion as all children, cultures and families are welcomed within the centre, therefore for children to respect each other, I believe that it is important to teach children the essence of the culture's that surround their environment.

I am very passionate about children exploring in the natural environment as a big part of who I am is about exploring the outdoors. I love being away from the "classroom" and giving the children the opportunity to explore their surroundings that are often missed in a busy day. I find that this is where I build lots of my relationships with children and families.