

# Brooke



I believe that the children's uniqueness and individuality will guide their learning and how we educate them. All Tamariki develop their own way of learning and understanding and it's our job as Kaiako to learn and respect this for each tamaiti.

The strand Mana Tangata (contribution) from Te Whariki highlights that children should have equitable learning opportunities and that they become affirmed as individuals. I believe taking the time to learn about the Tamariki as individuals will allow Kaiako to make those points true.

I believe that inclusivity and a strong sense of belonging will aid the growth and development of each tamaiti. It is important to create an environment that is safe and shows that each child is a valued member of our learning community, but we also respect their wider world, their communities outside of our centre.

As a new educator, I am striving to create a safe connection with each child, where they feel comfortable sharing their unique personalities, and they can trust that I will respect their own ability to learn. I also strive to have those same connections with the whanau and communities of the tamariki, to help create an integrated environment of learning where the wider world of the tamaiti can work alongside the ways of learning in our centre.