

Kindy counts. Let's reconnect.

Key considerations to support a successful transition back to regular kindergarten delivery for all children.

Learning contexts matter

- › Responsive routines and rituals will support children to become familiar again with the kindergarten experience
- › The environment has a significant impact on children's learning and wellbeing
- › Providing opportunities for children to have input into aspects of decision making will support their sense of belonging and self-efficacy
- › Through play, children explore their feelings and build a sense of security and confidence in themselves, and the world around them

Connection supports wellbeing

- › Being responsive and inclusive with children helps them feel connected and builds trust
- › Viewing children as capable and using inclusive and strength based opportunities for learning will support children to grow their resilience and feelings of wellbeing
- › Using action orientated language related to things children can control is important to building feelings of reassurance and promoting resilience
- › Educator wellbeing matters too

Successful transition takes time and partnerships

- › Transitions are unique for each child, family and educator
- › Partnerships with families and children will help ensure the needs and aspirations of all are considered
- › Acknowledging the essential contributions that families have made (and are continuing to make) during this period, will reassure families
- › Recognising and sharing children's competencies, strengths and achievements with families will help alleviate feelings that this disrupted period may have long-term consequences for children's learning

This resource is for early childhood educators.



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