Our Centre’s Philosophy

Guildford Grammar School Out Of School Care Centre is a child focused centre where:

• Children, families and staff are treated as equal and valued individuals.
• The importance of the National Quality Framework and MTOP curriculum is recognised and used in the planning process to create stimulating play.
• New crafts and sports opportunities are provided and participation encouraged to enable children to challenge themselves within their own capabilities.
• Children and parents are encouraged to share and participate in decision making for all elements of the Centre.
• Children are encouraged to develop to their full potential within a safe, caring and supportive environment.
• It is acknowledged that all children and families come from different backgrounds with different values and beliefs with a wide range of cultural diversity. These will be respected and incorporated into the curriculum.
• The Centre promotes and encourages the children towards healthy lifestyle choices.
• The Centre has a strong belief and practice of self-reflection to work towards continuous improvement for children, families and staff.
• The Centre recognises and promotes sustainability and looks to encourage children and families to be environmentally aware and responsible.

Our Centre’s Aims and Purposes

• To promote the concept of equal opportunity in all aspects of operating the Centre.
• To provide a caring and safe environment in which children and staff can be confident and in which children, parents/carers and staff feel secure.
• To promote respectful and reciprocal relationships between children and children and adults.
• To promote the developmental, social, emotional and intellectual needs of the children, families and staff within the Centre.
• To recognise and meet the needs of parents/carers and the community by encouraging their participation.

The Centre follows the purpose of Guildford Grammar School:

**Inspiring students to achieve personal excellence and to be outstanding citizens who work to create a just, loving and peaceful society.**

And the Core Values:

**Excellence, Respect, Integrity, Spirituality, Teamwork, Compassion**