Show everyone they belong here

An inclusive service values diversity and helps everyone feel that they belong.
Many ways of knowing, being and doing

- Diversity is rich.
- Adults show children what caring and respect look like.
- The children’s service community changes every time a new person joins or someone leaves.
- We walk the learning journey together.

Many ways of doing

- Have a safe person to introduce new people—children and adults.
- Acknowledge that everyone’s identity is part of this community.
- Develop a strong relationship with families and community mentors.
- Recognise the input of local people—budget to pay or give a gift for their time.

Learning Map—Plan your environment for Belonging

- Seeing our own mob makes us feel safe.
- People—Family, community mentors, employees, volunteers and special visitors.
- Books—story, pictures, history.
- Photos—family, mob, icons, country.
- Artwork & Objects—significant to this community, this land, broader community.

Connecting to Community

- Connect diverse community knowledge with planning for children.
- Reflect staff culture, knowledge, interests and experiences in the environment.
- Communicate in a variety of ways over time.
- Respect the level of connectedness individual families want with the service.