

## Biripi Child Safety Commitment Statement

At Biripi, we hold the welfare, safety, and dignity of every child in our community as our highest priority. We are committed to creating a nurturing, respectful, and secure environment where all children feel valued and listened to. Our actions are guided by the principles of respect, empowerment, cultural safety, and continuous improvement

## Our Commitments

**Respect and Value:** We honour the unique strengths, culture, and experiences of each child. We actively listen to children and ensure their voices are heard and respected in all matters concerning their wellbeing.

**Safety and Protection:** We are committed to safeguarding children from all forms of harm, including physical, emotional, and cultural abuse. We maintain strict policies and procedures to ensure their protection and respond swiftly to any concerns.

**Empowerment:** We empower children by providing opportunities for them to participate in decisions impacting their lives. We encourage them to express their views and ensure they are taken seriously.

**Cultural Safety:** We recognise the importance of cultural identity and provide an environment where Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children feel respected, understood, and safe.

**Continuous Improvement:** We are dedicated to learning and evolving in our practices to ensure the highest standards of child safety. We provide regular training and support for our staff and volunteers to uphold these standards.

**Collaboration:** We work in partnership with families, communities, and other organisations to foster a collective effort towards the safety and wellbeing of children.

At Biripi, we are unwavering in our resolve to protect and nurture our children, ensuring they can thrive in a safe and supportive environment. This statement of commitment was endorsed by the Biripi Board of Directors on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2024