

NATURAL ELEMENTS INCURSION

This multi-sensory workshop incorporates three mini workshops, provided in a rotational format to give children an opportunity to discover, create and design using natural materials from the earth.

Suitable for Early Years to Year 3, school groups, OSHC services, vacation care programs and community groups.

- Workshop 1 – Loose Parts:**
Using medium size natural loose parts, students become the engineer to create and design. Loose parts is a highly researched theory involving open ended materials that encourage children's creativity and imagination. We encourage you to read the NPSA info sheet on Loose parts on our website: natureplaysa.org.au/loose-partscreativity-discovery-imagination/
- Workshop 2 – Sensory Play:**
Involves slippery, slimy sensory play where students have the freedom to touch and explore a variety of mediums including clay, sensory playdough and smaller natural loose parts to make a creation inspired by their imagination
- Workshop 3 – Seed Bombs:**
Small groups create seed bombs (clay bundles filled with seed) that children can take home to 'explode' in their garden or at their school sites, and watch the transformation unfold.

LINKS TO CURRICULUM

STEM thinking skills

- Linking into biological sciences, germination, living and non-living things, exploring the senses
- Exploring engineering, designing and constructing

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- Problem solving
- Creativity
- Engaging the senses
- Building resilience and persistence

WHAT WE OFFER

- The 90 minute workshop session includes an Introduction to Nature Play, why it's important for wellbeing and practical ideas of how children can incorporate it into their daily lives
- 3 fun sessions, 25mins each, tailored to the Australian curriculum outcomes, which can be linked to current classroom work
- Authentic learning experiences
- Supply of all materials, including 3 seed bombs for students to take home
- Children engaged in a multisensory approach.

FEE STRUCTURE

- Minimum spend of \$300
- Cost is \$15/student (+GST)
- Negotiated rate outside metro area

CANCELLATIONS

- A \$200 cancellation fee will apply if your confirmed booking is cancelled and no date is rescheduled.

ABOUT OUR INSTRUCTORS

Your session will be led by qualified educators and trainers who are experienced, enthusiastic, and passionate about connecting children, families and educators to nature in a way that is fun and engaging. They will use provocations and open-ended questions to guide children's self discovery and learning at age appropriate levels and will ensure children are inspired and engaged. Contact us if you would like more information about our instructors.

HOW TO BOOK

- Booking is as simple as emailing your preferred dates along with your contact details to schools@natureplaysa.org.au
- We will make contact with you to confirm your date
- An invoice will be sent to you immediately following your incursion for payment within 14 days