DPS EARLY YEARS

PHILOSOPHY

**Successful Students**
- feel safe and valued
- engage positively
- take risks
- develop strong social and emotional capabilities
- strive to be successful
- have a sense of agency
- are creative and active participants
- problem solve

**Community Partnerships**
- consults with all stakeholders
- values connections with others
- values diversity
- authentic engagement in students' learning journeys
- upholds timely and consistent two-way communication
- connects through sustainability projects

**School Community**
- supports others
- promotes a positive and inclusive culture
- authentic engagement in students' learning journeys
- optimises learning through established routines
- plan intentional play-based programs
- capitalises on teachable moments
- use assessment to differentiate learning
- work flexibly and collaboratively
- engage students in reflection and goal setting
- embed problem solving
- create a safe and supportive learning environment

**Excellence in Teaching and Leading**