

2016 ASG National Excellence in Teaching Awards

State and Territory Award Recipient

Cindy King

KU Kangaroo
Koorringal, New South Wales

Cindy, Director at KU Kangaroo believes strongly in the Marte Meo development support program and Circle of security intervention program to support children's attachment needs and to activate development. Cindy believes both program are an important means of supporting and connecting with children, families and staff. The team at KU Kangaroo dedicates a portion of its weekly staff meetings to analysing, reflecting on and discussing videos of children's interactions from the week and how best support that child on their journey of being, belonging and being.

Cindy believes through building supportive relationships with children, educators get to know children's strengths which give them opportunities to activate and develop individual children's interests and skills. Cindy believes through careful observation of children's interactions and learning you can develop an in depth knowledge of strengths and interests to form the basis for meaningful learning. Developing secure, respectful and supportive relationships is the foundation of her philosophy.

In 2009 Cindy was given the opportunity through KU Children's services to work closely with Maria Aarts, the founder of Marte Meo, to become a Marte Meo practitioner and as an educator has since expanded her expertise into a commitment to meeting children's attachment needs.

Creative, confident and capable children - is how her children leave KU Kangaroo at the end of each Preschool year! The Preschool provides a safe, predictable environment where children are encouraged to explore and interact. With a strong commitment to the child's relationship needs.

Cindy is a much loved and respected teacher with a longstanding relationship with the local community.

Position	Other responsibilities	Category	Subjects/level taught	Years teaching
Director		Early Childhood		22
Years at this school/centre	School type	Nominated by	Town/suburb	State and postcode
18	Private	Parent	Koorringal	NSW, 2650

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