

Take Home Teddies

What is the Take Home Teddy?

A Take-Home Teddy Bear is an activity that connects what kids are learning at school and extending that to their home. It's really just a journal that kids and parents take home and write down what they did together during a day. Kids take home a teddy bear and parents and kids work together to write about what they did with the teddy bear in the journal.



What we learn:

- Responsibility
- Language development
- Early literacy
- Social and Emotional Skills

What is in the pack:

- Teddy
- Teddy's journal
- Writing/Decorating implements (pencils, textas, glue etc)

What exactly do I do with the teddy?

Take the teddy home and write/draw/take photos about what you and your child did with the teddy bear. This may include things like jumping on the trampoline together, baking a cake or going to the park. Use your imagination. We'd love to see lots of different stories.

Please only use **two** pages. Make sure at least one has a written story about what you did with the teddy.

Children shouldn't think of this activity as homework, and they shouldn't be forced to do it. Parents are there to facilitate the process. Remember, if the child wants to add aspects to the activity, then they should do it. For example, a child could take pictures of the bear and bring them back to share with the group. This kind of creativity should be encouraged.

What happens when the teddy comes back to school?

We will be using the teddy to facilitate oral language development. We will have a show and tell session where your child we will be able to share with us what they did with the teddy at their house.

Please bring the teddy back on Tuesday so we can pass the teddy on to the next child.

