



Guwaala-y School Readiness Program

The Guwaala-y School Readiness Program can provide your family with support to help your kids develop skills that will make a difference when they start school and/or in the first two years at school. We can provide therapy, education and information services to your family and kids at playgroups, preschools, schools or at home

We can help your kids with:

- Communication : talking and listening skills
- Moving skills: how they hold a pencil, throw a ball or balance skills
- Knowing their way around schools and developing routines
- Social skills: how to share and take turns with other kids

We can help you with

- Tips on how to manage your kids behaviour
- Knowing what other help is out there for you
- Developing positive relationships with schools.
- Meeting other families with young children

These are some of the ways we can help:

- Individual child or group programs with skilled workers to meet your child and family needs.
- Family support through individual yarns with a Community Development Worker or in parent support/education groups
- Assistance in accessing resources in the community, including pre-schools and other services

The areas we cover are:

Moree Local Government Area (L.G.A.); Moree, Boggabilla, Toomelah, Mungindi.

Who is this program for:

Aboriginal families who have children (0 –8 years) who have worries about their child's development and/or learning. This includes

- Families who have a child with a recently diagnosed disability,
- Families who have a child with an identified developmental delay and are in the process of obtaining a diagnosis,
- Families who have a concern about their child's development and are seeking support

How to get this program:

People can refer themselves, or with their approval, other family members or service providers can make a referral by telephoning the Coordinator. When she gets your details, the Coordinator can provide more information to potential families and service providers about the program.

Cost

There is no cost to families.

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Goanna by Australian Aboriginal artist David Williams

Guwaala-y is from the Gamilaraay language and means talk to each other