

HIPPY - Alive and Well in Campbelltown

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The Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters (HIPPY) is a two year home-based early learning and parenting program for families with young children who live in the Campbelltown area. HIPPY Claymore is run by Macarthur Diversity Services Initiative (MDSI). HIPPY is funded by the Australian Government through the Department of Social Services. The Brotherhood of St Laurence holds the licence to operate HIPPY in Australia.

HIPPY is a free service providing mentors who visit parents/caregivers in their own home to practise the HIPPY activities. The parent and child will then spend 10 – 15 minutes each day doing the activities together.

The attached photo is Minas and Noah's first session with their home tutor Leah. Minas found that through the HIPPY program she is encouraged to be more involved in Noah's learning as well as child development. For Noah it is helping him to prepare for school, to build his self-esteem and confidence in a home learning environment. The added bonus for both of them is enjoying spending extra time together.

Enrolments are now being taken from families with preschool children aged 3 ½ to 5 from the Campbelltown LGA. If you would like to find out more about the HIPPY program please contact MDSI on 46271188

