

OUR BIG STEPS POLICY VISION

- ① The Government will prioritise education at every stage of a child's life and invest at least 1 per cent of gross domestic product (GDP) in ECEC;
- ② The Government will fund equal pay for educators;
- ③ Every child will have at least two days universal access to early learning from the age of one;
- ④ Educators will be professionally paid, trained and respected;
- ⑤ The National Quality Framework (NQF) will deliver on its promise: ensuring every ECEC service is high quality;
- ⑥ The children who stand to benefit most from ECEC will have access to what they need;
- ⑦ Families and communities will have equitable access to ECEC through planned provision;
- ⑧ ECEC and parental leave will give families the opportunity to spend a year with their babies and seamlessly transition to ECEC when they want to;
- ⑨ There will be a commitment to ongoing excellence in ECEC, driven by the findings of an independent research body;
- ⑩ A Cabinet minister will have responsibility for Australian children's early education, health and welfare.

Educators are shaping Australia's future, one child at a time and that's why we have come together to deliver this vision. **Join us!**



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