

Nature Play QLD loves to hearing from you, our followers. We want you to share your stories, contribute to our conversations and tell us your ideas. Write a blog to be published on our website and promoted on social media. Here are 55 suggested topics to help get you started:

- 1. Ideas to help children reclaim the streets
- 2. How outdoor play lays the foundations for maths, english and science
- 3. Child-led bush walking and other adventures; what unfolded when the children were in charge
- 4. Painting sticks and rocks
- 5. Nature the natural anti-depressant and de-stressor
- 6. Street play dates: connecting children to their communities
- 7. Nature Play ideas for children with special needs
- 8. Sharing my childhood outdoor adventures with my children
- 9. Ideas on how to inspire creativity and imaginative play
- 10. DIY Nature Play craft
- 11. How I incorporate nature play every day into our busy schedules
- 12. Nature Play for babies
- 13. Camping with kids: Tips and tricks
- 14. Stories from Indigenous Queenslanders the original nature players
- 15. Creating and racing leaf boats
- 16. Babies are increasingly using technology. So what?
- 17. Nature Play in outback QLD
- 18. How to make a fairy garden
- 19. Nature Play the ultimate homework
- 20. The ties between nature and the economy and the implications for our children.
- 21. What we all learned by spending a day by the creek
- 22. Creating seasonal nature tables
- 23. Stranger danger or good Samaritans? Confronting anxieties and fears and how this helps our children.
- 24. What's the best tree to climb? The anatomy of the perfect tree.
- 25. Cultural comparison of Nature Play around the world how do we differ in Australia?
- 26. How nature benefits the whole family, not just the kids.
- 27. Spare hour? 10 quick and easy nature play activities.
- 28. Actual risks vs perceived risks in Australia
- 29. How I encouraged nature play spaces at our school
- 30. Nature Play science experiments to try at home

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- 31. How having access to nature improves NAPLAN scores.
- 32. Bush walking with kids: Tips and tricks
- 33. How to becoming an 'Enchantment Detective': Looking for moments of enchantment when playing with children
- 34. How I/we encourage nature play in my family, community, neighbourhood or school.
- 35. Growing food with children for the seasons
- 36. How kids develop intrinsic motivation through independent outdoor play
- 37. Elite sports people skills started with playing outdoors, or how developing key foundational skills from an early age increases the likelihood of children playing sport and staying active into their adult lives.
- 38. How I feel as a parent after my children have had a thorough play at the park
- 39. Are there any real differences between the impacts of playing with toys made of plastics vs natural materials?
- 40. Walking your children to school
- 41. Nature play with insects, bugs and other creepy crawlies
- 42. Why I encourage my children to climb trees, and other risky activities
- 43. Can outdoor play encourage healthy eating choices?
- 44. How to get a 'bike gang' happening in your neighbourhood
- 45. New nature play ideas at the beach
- 46. Crystal enchantments, ideas to use crystals to stimulate imaginative play
- 47. The benefits of children taking risk
- 48. Making Rock friends
- 49. Best Nature Play activities for this season
- 50. How to encourage children to play out the front of their houses
- 51.Ideas on how we instill our children with a positive view of the future on Earth (it's not all Apocalyptic!)
- 52. Cubby houses
- 53. Connecting with our native animals in nature play
- 54.Do kids need to hurt themselves? How do injuries impact on children's development of resilience and ability to discern risk?
- 55. Our geocaching adventures

Our guidelines to what you write are extremely broad. It can be anything from a traditional opinion-based blog, to a research-based article, a poem, or even an instructional to-do activity. You may also edit any of the above topics so that they fit you better.

Click to view the Nature Play Blog Post Guide here for instructions on how to submit your blog, submission format and other bits of information we will require from you.

For questions not covered on the blog post guide, contact social@natureplayqld.org.au

Regards, The Nature Play QLD Team.