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## DAISY HILL



Five-year-olds Archie St Louis and Chae Cooper play at Rosie's Early Learning. Picture: RICFREARSON

# Kindies earn top rating

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THREE Logan kindies have been ranked among the state's best, receiving the "excellent" rating this year.

Canterbury College Kindergarten at Waterford, Rosie's Early Learning and John Paul College Outside School Hours Care at Daisy Hill were among just 15 to attain the status.

Rosie's director Carrie Rose said quality training and professional development for staff was part of what set the facility apart.

Next year the centre will introduce an interdisciplinary team – complete with a speech pathologist, a mindful coach, a horticulturist, a visual artist and a performer – to provide children with a diverse education.

One in four Queensland centres are failing to meet Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority standards.

The Logan Together project aims to improve opportunities for all children. Director Matthew Cox said he would work with local

kindergartens to improve their offerings.

"We are bringing people together to boost their knowledge about early childhood development and helping them share the practical strategies that power up brain development, language skills and social competence in kids," he said.

Mayor Luke Smith said about 60 per cent of Logan children aged three to five were enrolled in a structured, high-quality kindy program, but hoped to see that figure rise to 90 per cent.