# **First 5 Forever Forum**

Partners in Time - QPLA 2015 Conference

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# Snap Shot of Brisbane City Council Libraries

- 33 libraries including 6 hubs, 1 mobile library and Archives
- 1.3 million items in our collection
- 6.2 million visitors
- 226,253 attendees to early literacy programs



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#### What early years children's programs do Brisbane City Council already offer?

Babies,
Books and
Rhymes

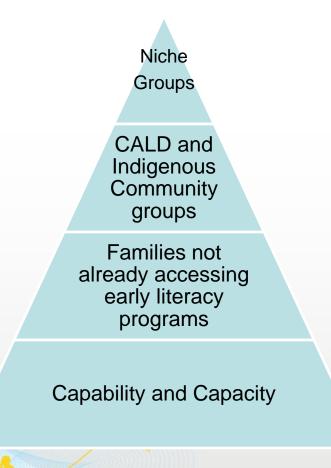
Toddler Time

Story Time





## Pyramid (4 Year Plan)



- Building capability and capacity of library staff
- 2. Outreach opportunities to inform parents of programs
- 3. Outreach opportunities to organisations who work with CALD and Indigenous groups
- 4. Speciality programs children with additional needs



# **Improving Current Practice**

Observing current
practice

Observational tools

 Strategies – newsletter, resources, modelling, training





# Future for Brisbane City Council Libraries

Resourcing

Building capacity



Making community connections



Thank you!

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