

## Early Childhood Education Directorate Convictions and Significant Enforcement Actions

Nominated Supervisor	Ms Jessica Grundy
Service Name	Yass Little Learners
Type of Service	Centre based education and care service
Action Taken	<ul> <li>Prosecution action against Ms Jessica Grundy for:</li> <li>one offence of failing to ensure adequate supervision of children - section 165(2) of the <i>Children (Education and Care Services) National Law (NSW);</i> and</li> <li>one offence of failing to take every reasonable precaution to protect children from harm and from any hazard likely to cause injury - section 167(2) of the <i>Children (Education and Care Services) National Law (NSW)</i></li> </ul>
Date of conviction	11 February 2021
Sentence	Convicted at Yass Local Court and fined a total of \$9000.

## Proven offence:

Ms Jessica Grundy, in her capacity as the nominated supervisor of the service:

- failed to ensure that adequate supervision was provided;
- failed to take every reasonable precaution to protect a child from harm and from any hazard likely to cause injury when a child was left alone on a bus for approximately five hours and 55 minutes on a day when the maximum air temperature reached 30.8 degrees; and
- failed to:
  - provide a copy of the Service's policies and procedures to all staff when they commenced working at the Service;
  - provide training to all staff in relation to the Service's policies and procedures and any changes to them;
  - provide a formal induction to all staff or show all staff where the Service's policies and procedures were located; and
  - have a requirement that all staff were required to read and be familiar with the Service's policies and procedures.