PRESCHOOL CONTEXT STATEMENT

Centre number: 5616

Centre name: Glandore Community Kindergarten

1. General information

- Preschool Director
  Ros Wright

- Postal address
  37 St Georges Ave Glandore 5038

- Location address

- DECD Region
  Partnership of Greenhill South

- Geographical location – ie road distance from GPO (km)
  4 KM south west CBD

- Telephone number
  82935325

- Fax number
  83714970

- Preschool website address:
  www.glandorekgn.sa.edu.au
• Preschool e-mail address
   Ros.Wright210@schools.sa.edu.au

• Enrolment/Attendance
   Average 74 enrolment 66 attendance

• Co-located/stand-alone
   Stand alone

• Programs operating at the preschool [see website for further information re eligibility]

  ☑ Sessional Kindergarten for eligible children

  ☑ Lunch/Full Day Program

  ☑ Bilingual Support

  ☑ Preschool Support
2. **Key Centre Policies**

- We operate under the National Quality Standards. Our Quality Improvement plan is available on request. Please refer to website for site philosophy and key policies.

We aim to support the learning and wellbeing of all children including those with special rights.

3. **Curriculum**

- Framework used:
  Early Years Framework- Being Belonging and Becoming

- Core Values
  Our role is to provide a high quality program, which recognises that all children are capable learners, and have unique needs abilities and interests. We recognise the importance of a learning environment in which children and families have a strong sense of belonging.

  We have a focus on the following:
  - Supporting the development of receptive and expressive language skills, [communication], and the ability to interact positively with others.
  - Building resilience and a joy of learning.

- Specific curriculum approaches
  A strong focus on play based learning coupled with intentional teaching strategies.
Joint programmes/special curriculum projects

We have an integrated specialised speech and language program funded by DECS for 7 children with identified severe communication impairments. Children are referred by private, public and DECS speech pathologists for placement in this program.

In 2014 we will participate the Early Childhood Organisation INC SA *Reimagining Childhood in the Early Years of School Project* with reception staff of Blackforest Primary school.

4. Centre Based Staff

Staff Profile

- Currently 1.0 Director [PSD2], 1.0 teacher, .4 teacher [universal access]
- 2 x .5 ECWs

**Speech and Language Programme**

- .5 Special education teacher and a .4 speech pathologist.

- An additional ECW is employed by the site to manage lunch care and administration tasks.

- Performance Management Program
  Staff meet with the director for a formal chat using the Quality Improvement Plan as a reference. Follow up and feedback provided as required.

  - Access to special support staff
  
  Our speech and language program has a .4 speech pathologist and a .5 special education teacher. Early childhood workers are employed by the site for specific and targeted early intervention projects to meet any identified needs of individuals or groups of children.
  
  Preschool support services provide intervention services on referral from the director.
5. **Centre Facilities**

- **Capacity (per session)**
  39 children

- **Centre Ownership**
  West Torrens Council

- **Access for children and staff with disabilities**
  One disabled toilet for children and one for adults

- **Buildings and grounds**
  The kindergarten is situated in a park setting with an adjacent community playground. The building is approximately 50 years old. It comprises a large playroom with two withdrawal rooms. One of these is used as an office, with a divided area for the Speech and Language programme.

  The grounds are large and pleasantly landscaped with a number of large trees for shade. Fixed equipment includes a large sand pit with a pergola, a watercourse leading to the sandpit, a wooden boat, swing area, a cubby house, shaded play platform, and slide leading from a landscaped mound. A large, all weather verandah, with blinds, is situated across the front of the verandah.

  A large shed for storage is located in the grounds.