



2024 annual report to the Community

# Brahma Lodge Kindergarten Inc

Brahma Lodge Kindergarten Inc number: 2604

Partnership: Salisbury



Preschool director:

Kristin Bateman

Signature

Date of endorsement:

01/04/2025



Government  
of South Australia  
Department for Education

# Context Statement

Information about Brahma Lodge Kindergarten Inc is available on the centres website, as well as the Australian Children’s Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) website.

Brahma Lodge Kindergarten is a part-time stand-alone kindergarten based in the suburb of Brahma Lodge. It was purpose built by the community in the early 1970's. It is located beside the local oval.

The outdoor space has several different play areas and surfaces. It includes a large grass area, slide, swings, sandpit with a rocky creek bed to allow water access to the sand, soft fall climbing area and some concrete and pavers for bikes and other activities. The Outdoor area contains several large trees providing natural shade for most of the yard. The indoor space is open, with portable furniture and equipment which allows for flexibility within the learning environment.

All the children attend two and a half days a week, 2 full days and 1 half day.

Our enrolments have remained steady around 30 children including a large number of children from families that speak an additional language at home and 5 Aboriginal child. We have 6 children receiving Preschool support funding for Autism, global delay and speech and language needs.

Our Staff Team consists of 0.6 Director, 0.6 Permanent Teacher and 0.6 Permanent Early Childhood Worker. We also employ a 2 Preschool Support Workers for a total of 15 hours a week.

We work in partnership with the local child-care centre to ensure we can meet the needs of families by walking children between both services when required. We meet with the local primary school to share information and work collaboratively to support children and families during the transition to school period.

It has been approved by the State Government that we will be receiving a new kindergarten building. This will be located on the local primary school grounds. The new Building and grounds are looking to be completed early in 2026.

## Governing Council Report

The Governing Council met at least once a term and consisted of between 2 and 4 parents and the kindergarten director. As a Governing Council we discussed the progress of the new kindergarten building. The Director shared the progress, building plans and other information regularly throughout the year. We also discussed the kindy finances at each meeting including transferring them over to be managed on the EMS system. We had a few fundraising events. One of these was the Kindy Olympics. This was an Amazing day with so many families attending and the children having a try at many different Olympic events. This was a great community event.

# Preschool Attendance

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
2021 centre	63.2%	83.6%	81.3%	65.7%
2022 centre	63.8%	80.8%	84.2%	61.6%
2023 centre	90.8%	83.1%	76.8%	68.8%
2024 centre	81.6%		71.9%	

Based on attendances recorded in the two-week reference period each term. Data for eligible enrolments as described in the department's Enrolment policy. Attendance rates may differ to previous reporting with the transfer from calculations based on deemed attendance to actual attendance using booked hours divided by attended hours. Data Source: Department for Education Attendance Data, Semester 1 Report 2024. A blank cell indicates there we no students enrolled.

## Attendance Comment

In South Australia, preschool attendance is not compulsory, but it is strongly encouraged. Preschool gives children the best opportunity to develop skills, which prepare them for school. These benefits include establishing positive routines and habits, friendships and connections as well as developing communication, problem-solving and creative skills. All children are entitled to access a preschool program over 4 terms the year before they start school.

## Destination Schools

Feeder Schools (Site number - Name)	2022	2023	2024
0318 - Nuriootpa Primary School	3.9%		
0983 - Brahma Lodge Primary School	53.9%	41.2%	44.7%
8399 - Holy Family Catholic School			5.3%
8411 - Torrens Valley Christian School	3.9%		
9072 - St Augustine's Parish School	7.7%	5.9%	10.5%
9757 - Our Lady of Hope School	3.9%		
9999 - Unknown	26.9%	41.2%	23.7%

Note: The data is collected in term 3. It does not reflect actual schools enrolled in by existing preschool children. A blank cell indicates there was no data for students enrolled.

Data Source: Department for Education Destination Data Report, 2024.

# Highest Qualifications held by the teaching workforce and workforce composition

All teachers at this school are qualified and registered with the SA Teachers Registration Board.

Qualification Level	Number of Qualifications
Bachelor's degrees or Diplomas	1
Postgraduate Qualifications	1

Data Source: Data extracted from Mandatory Workforce Information Collections as on the last pay date of June 2024. As self-reported by staff in the system.

Please note: Data includes staff who are Actively employed and on extended paid leave. Please note only the highest qualification of the Teaching staff is reported. Excludes any number of other certifications earned.

## Workforce composition including indigenous staff

	Teaching Staff		Non-Teaching Staff	
	Indigenous	Non-Indigenous	Indigenous	Non-Indigenous
Full-Time Equivalents	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.9
Persons	0.0	2.0	0.0	2.0

Data Source: Data extracted from Mandatory Workforce Information Collection as on the last pay date of June 2024.

Please note: Data includes staff who are actively employed and on extended paid leave. "Indigenous category" is self-reported by staff in the system.

# Financial Statement

Funding Source	Amount
Grants: State	\$301452.16
Grants: Commonwealth	NIL
Parent Contributions	\$12147
Fund Raising	\$3131
Other	\$2570

Data Source: School supplied data.