

2023 annual report to the Community

# Hamley Bridge Kindergarten

Hamley Bridge Kindergarten number: 2629

Partnership: Lower Mid North



Preschool director:

Sarah Coventry

 Signature

Date of endorsement:

16/02/2024



Government  
of South Australia  
Department for Education



# Context Statement

Information about Hamley Bridge Kindergarten is available on the centres website, as well as the Australian Childrens Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) website.

## Preschool Attendance

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
2020 centre	95%	78.2%	85.9%	88.9%
2021 centre	96.9%	93.9%	95.7%	75.3%
2022 centre	40%	75.8%	75.4%	71.2%
2023 centre	91.3%	83.3%	78.2%	72.2%
2020 state	89.1%	81.8%	84.6%	85.8%
2021 state	87.3%	85.3%	87.1%	84.5%
2022 state	83.6%	77.6%	77.9%	77.8%
2023 state	85.4%	82.9%	83.4%	81.4%

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 2023. A blank cell indicates there were no students enrolled.

Note: Term 2 2020 data may not be available for all preschools.

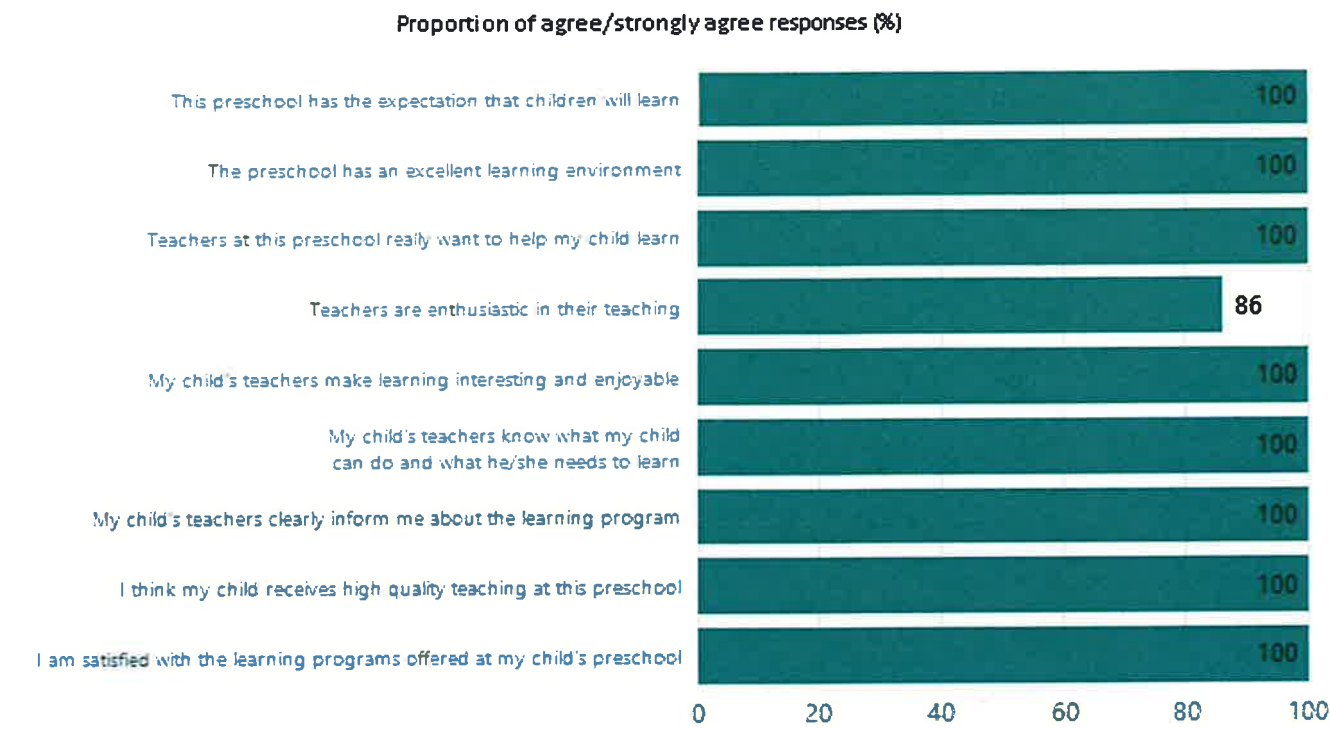
## Attendance Comment

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.



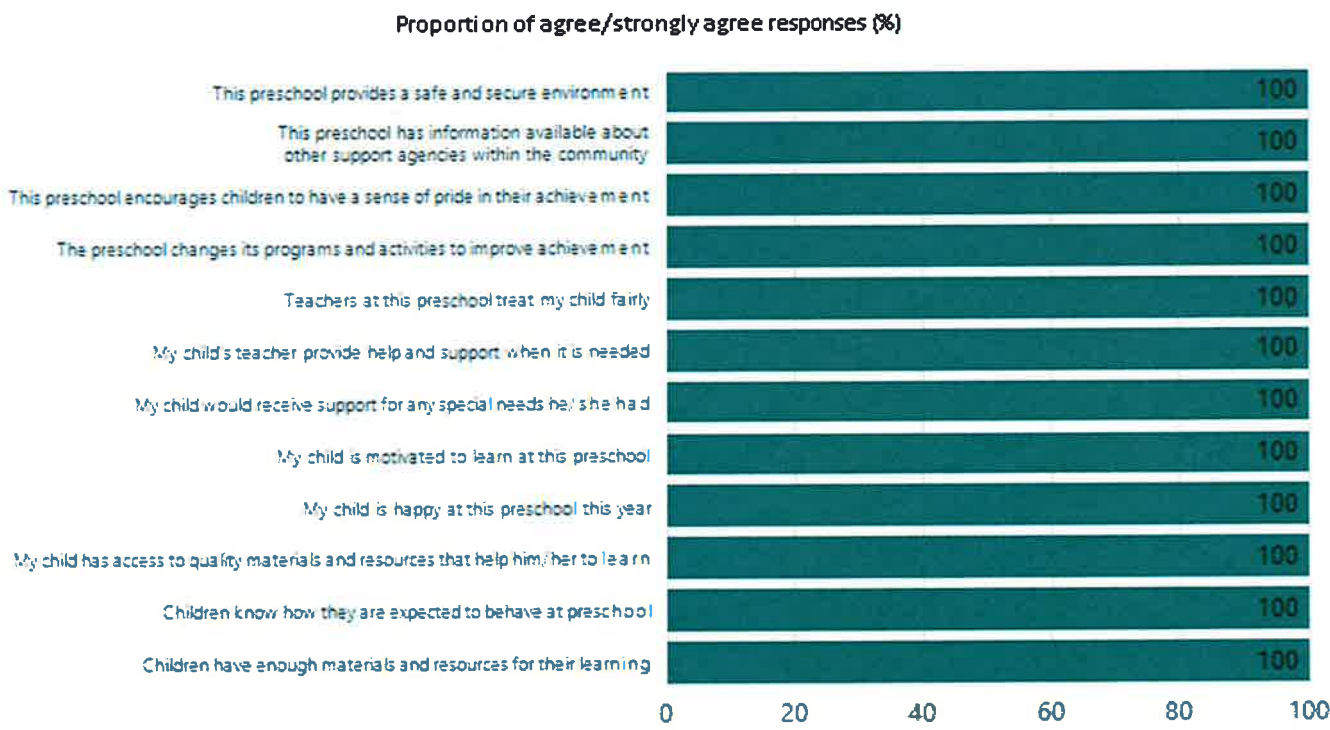
# Preschool Family Opinion Survey

## Quality of Teaching and Learning



Data Source: 2023 Department for Education Preschool Family Opinions Survey, Term 3 2023.

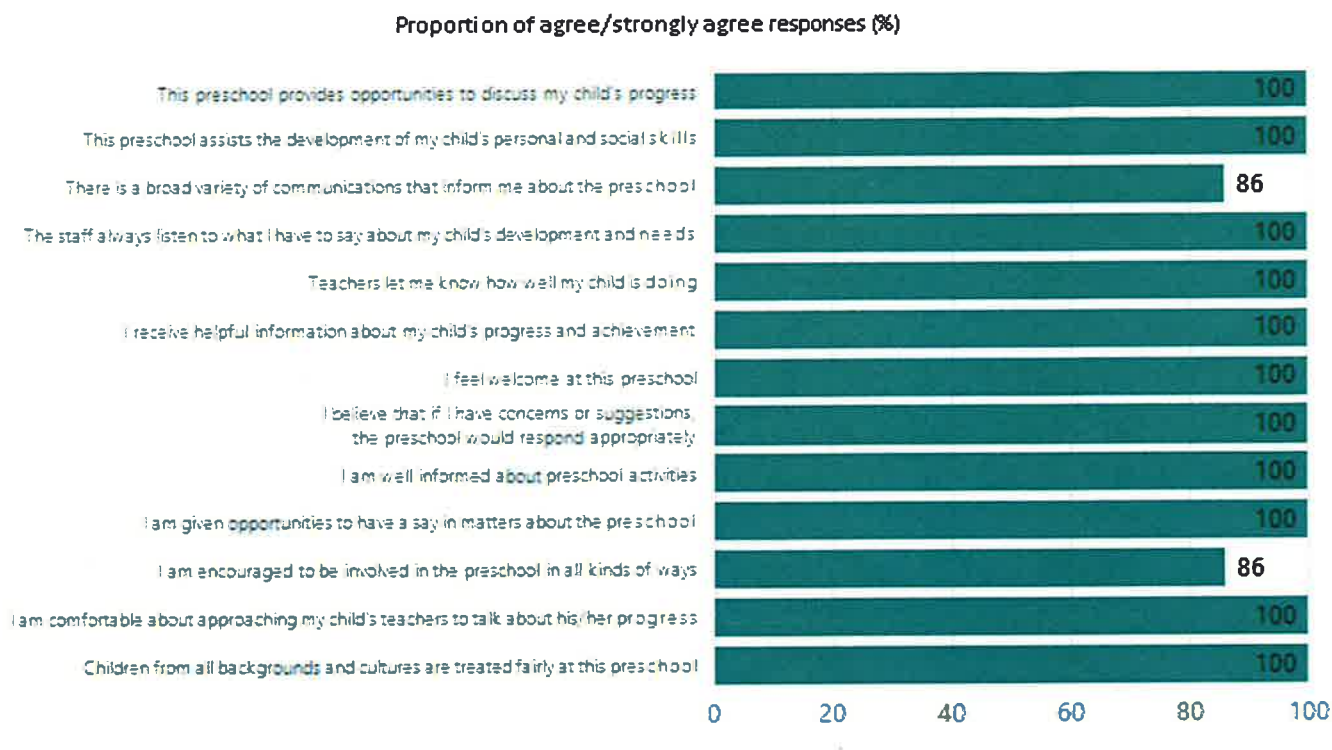
## Support of Learning



Data Source: 2023 Department for Education Preschool Family Opinions Survey, Term 3 2023.



## Relationships and Communication



Data Source: 2023 Department for Education Preschool Family Opinions Survey, Term 3 2023.

## Leadership and Decision Making



Data Source: 2023 Department for Education Preschool Family Opinions Survey, Term 3 2023.





# Destination Schools

Feeder Schools (Site number - Name)	2021	2022	2023
0167 - Hamley Bridge Primary School	57.1%	64.3%	26.3%
0325 - Owen Primary School	7.1%		
0387 - Roseworthy Primary School			5.3%
0430 - Tarlee Primary School		7.1%	
0469 - Wasleys Primary School	14.3%		10.5%
8496 - Horizon Christian School		21.4%	
9999 - Unknown	21.4%	7.1%	57.9%

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, 2023.



# 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	3

Data Source: Data extracted from Mandatory Workforce Information Collections as on the last pay date of June 2023. 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	1.5	0.7	0.7
Persons	0.0	3.0	1.0	2.0

Data Source: Data extracted from Mandatory Workforce Information Collection as on the last pay date of June 2023.

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	\$249,897.65
Grants: Commonwealth	
Parent Contributions	\$6650.00
Fund Raising	\$2079.42
Other	

Data Source: School supplied data.



# Governing Council Report

2023 began smoothly and all the children settled well. We have been lucky enough to have Covid-19 restrictions lifted and parents were able to drop their children off and pick them up.

Within Term 1, they hit the ground running with many exciting excursions and events. They had some new sand put into the sandpit to replace the old gritty sand. The children went for their first visit to Hamley Bridge Primary school Nature playground. They went to the Sunflowers in Freeling and picked sunflowers to explore back at the kindergarten. The community supported the kindergarten in an Easter Raffle and raised a substantial amount of money. The kindergarten had Glenn the Junk Man visit the children to explore loose parts.

In Term 2, the children went to the Nature Play at the school to continue their continuity of learning. They went to the Pines at Kaunda for a Bush Kindy experience. With some restrictions with the bus, some excursions in Term 2 were either cancelled or postponed. The children made gifts for the Mother's Day, and this was well received by the community. To connect with Aboriginal perspectives the children yarned around the campfire and toasted marshmallows.

In Term 3, the children explored nursery rhymes in their small group times with the educators. They began walking to the Hamley Bridge General Store to connect with the community and support the cooking experiences back at the kindergarten. The children participated in science week and explored experiments. In week 5 the children participated in a Book week Parade and thoroughly enjoyed dressing up and exploring books. The children made gifts for Father's Day that were well received by the community as well. The Governing Council organised an Obstacle-A-Thon to fundraise for resources. We were thanked by the kindergarten with a Teddy Bears Picnic BBQ. The children also had a photo day to remember their amazing kindergarten year. Animals Anonymous visit the Kindy to talk about animal safety. The final event for Term 3, the children participated in a free incursion hosted by Patch Theatre.

During Term 4, the children continued to visit the nature playground at the school and participated in extra transition visits with Hamley Bridge Primary School. They continued to visit the General Store to support the cooking program. They also went to the post office next door to post letters to their families. They have participated in rounded school transitions with the local school in the partnership. The bus restrictions relaxed, and the children participated in a Beach Kindy experience where they went to Webb Beach. As the weather turned warm, the educators organised a water day and the children accessed various water learning experiences. As the year came to an end the team put together an exhibition of learning and graduation for the families to attend with their children. It was a wonderful night of celebration. On the last and final day of kindergarten, the children had a PJ and movie day. Our last fundraising effort, as a Governing Council, was for the Hamley Bridge Party and Parade Day where there was a Christmas raffle.

2023 has been a dynamic year and the children have enjoyed many experiences. I am proud of Hamley Bridge kindergarten staff team for all their effort and hard work.

Kind Regards,

Lisa Kallika

Governing Council Chairperson

