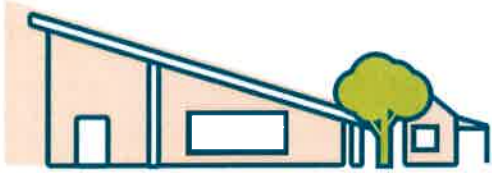




# Lyndoch Preschool



2023 annual report to the Community

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Lyndoch Preschool number: 2692

Partnership: Greater Gawler



Preschool director:

Courtney Rieck

Signature

Date of endorsement:

20/02/2024



Government  
of South Australia  
Department for Education

# Context Statement

Information about Lyndoch Preschool is available on the centres website, as well as the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) website.

Lyndoch Preschool is a stand-alone Preschool located next to Lyndoch Primary School. Following the Department of Education guidelines Preschool children at Lyndoch Preschool access 30 hours per fortnight. We run as a part time Centre operating on Tuesday, Wednesday, and alternate Thursdays.

Lyndoch Preschool offer an integrated Occasional Care service every Tuesdays with an AM session and a PM session which is a highly sought-after service. The site also supports a community run Playgroup on site every Friday which is accessed by many families within the community.

The Centre has a good connection to the local Primary School which has enabled our access to their Gymnasium, Library, Playground and Nature based environment.

This Centre has strong relationships with Preschool parent's, immediate community and has high levels of parent involvement which take pride in the Centre.

The continuation in 2023 of our focus on high level emergent literacy engagement saw Educators and children increase their knowledge over the duration of the full year.

Numeracy Education was also a highlight of 2023, with Educators participating in Orbis studies and making Numeracy visible within children's learning.

## **Chairperson Report 2023 – Meagan Parsons.**

We started the year off by debuting our new name and logo my oh my didn't they look great!

Lyndoch Valley Family Centre name change had been in the works since 2021. This year we were ready to show it off! The signage out the front stating we were now Lyndoch Preschool and also some new uniforms for our Teachers and children had everyone looking quite snazzy.

WE had a couple new staff members starting this year. Tammy was appointed our new Occasional Care Teacher who also runs the Playgroup held on Friday Mornings.

We also had Amity and Maizee start their Certificate 3 traineeships. Now Amity also works in the OSHC service at the school. This is great for having a familiar face for transitions.

Our first Governing Council Meeting saw us take on our new roles for the year and we hit the ground running! The first event was our open day! This was a hit! We raised \$250 from our baked goods and BBQ and also had future families come through and check out the learning Lyndoch Preschool has to offer for children.

Earlier in the year we applied for a grant which helped us successfully gain \$950 to go towards fencing our nature area. During September we participated in the Community Garage Sale event. We asked our families for donations of toys, books and other unwanted items at home. This brought in approximately \$900. We are putting this money towards a Mud Kitchen as this area of the Preschool has shown much popularity and use.

We also held a Social night (involving fundraising) Burger Night was held at The Exchange Hotel in Gawler. Families and friends were invited to dine in some local area food, with all burgers sold at the service creating a fundraising total of \$350.

Parents of finishing Preschools have the opportunity to purchase memories of their children's learning time at Preschool through a photo book fundraiser

I can't forget to mention all the hard work Courtney, Nicky, Tammy, and Claire do behind the scenes. With policies and procedure changes to updated information, learning programs etc. we much appreciate all the enormous work that goes into our children and veery loved Preschool.

With all this said I'd like to finish off this report by saying thank you to everyone on Governing Council.

## Preschool Attendance

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
2020 centre	91.4%	70%	88.3%	96.7%
2021 centre	89.2%	93%	90.5%	86.9%
2022 centre	76.7%	67.5%	85.9%	81.1%
2023 centre	95.7%	91.4%	87.5%	87.8%
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.

# Destination Schools

Feeder Schools (Site number - Name)	2021	2022	2023
0237 - Lyndoch Primary School	55.0%	35.3%	40.0%
0395 - Sandy Creek Primary School	15.0%	5.9%	20.0%
8502 - Xavier College Two Wells Campus		5.9%	
9102 - St Jakobi Lutheran School	5.0%	23.5%	10.0%
9999 - Unknown	25.0%	29.4%	30.0%

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	2

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	1.2	0.2	0.1
Persons	0.0	2.0	1.0	1.0

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	0
Grants: Commonwealth	0
Parent Contributions	\$7470.00
Fund Raising	\$1039.90
Other	

Data Source: School supplied data.