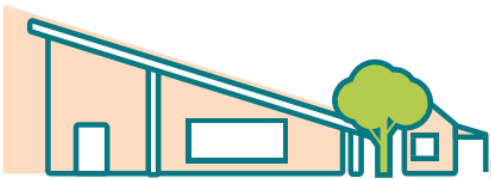


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Date of endorsement:

14/02/2024



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Context Statement

Information about Plympton South 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	92.8%		93%	96.6%
2021 centre	95.2%	94.1%	97.5%	94%
2022 centre	93.4%	81.1%	73%	76.6%
2023 centre	82.6%	86.3%	88.7%	80.5%
2020 state	89.1%		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 we no students enrolled.

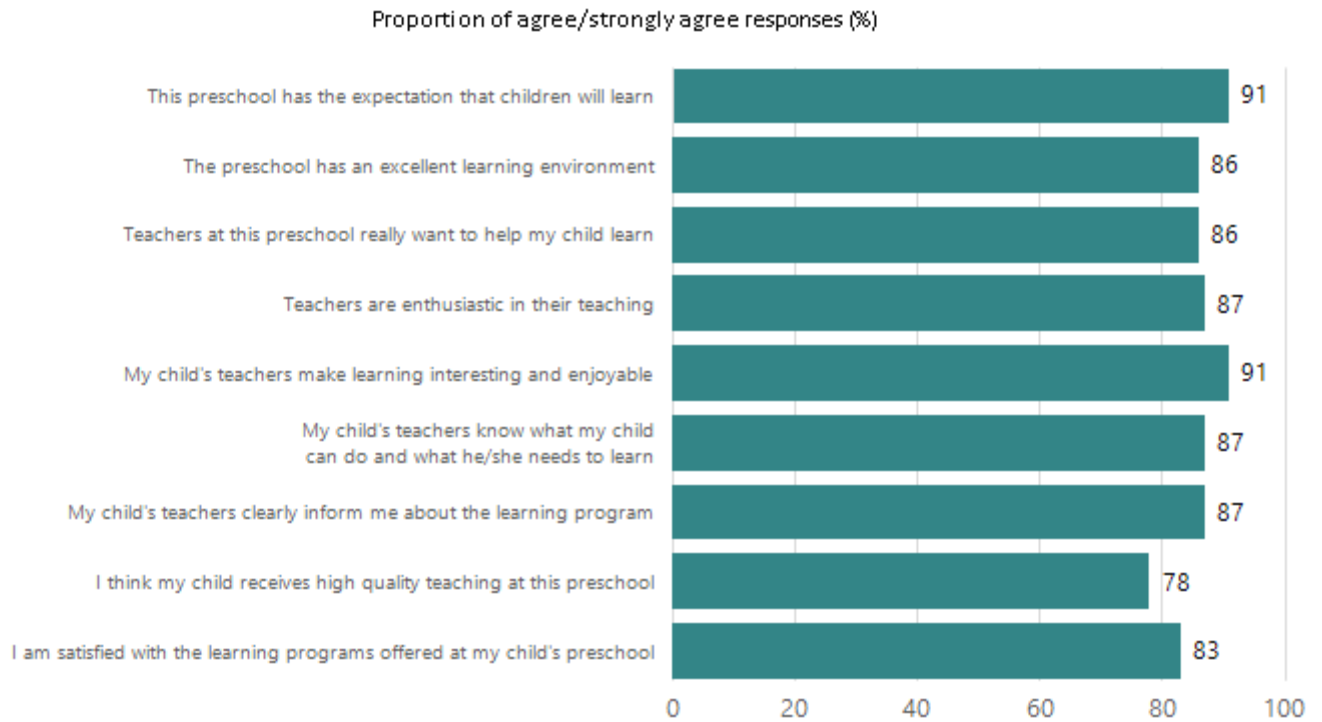
Note: Term 2 2020 data may not be available for all preschools.

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.

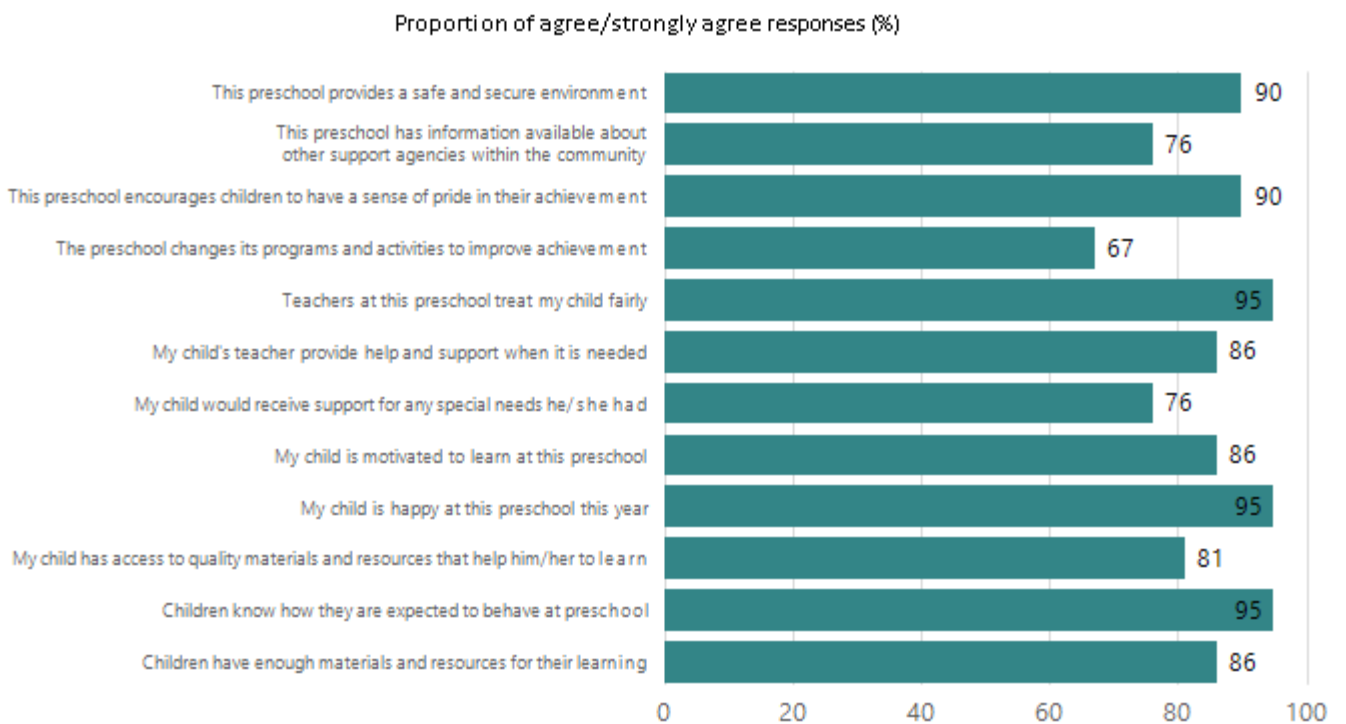
Preschool Family Opinion Survey

Quality of Teaching and Learning



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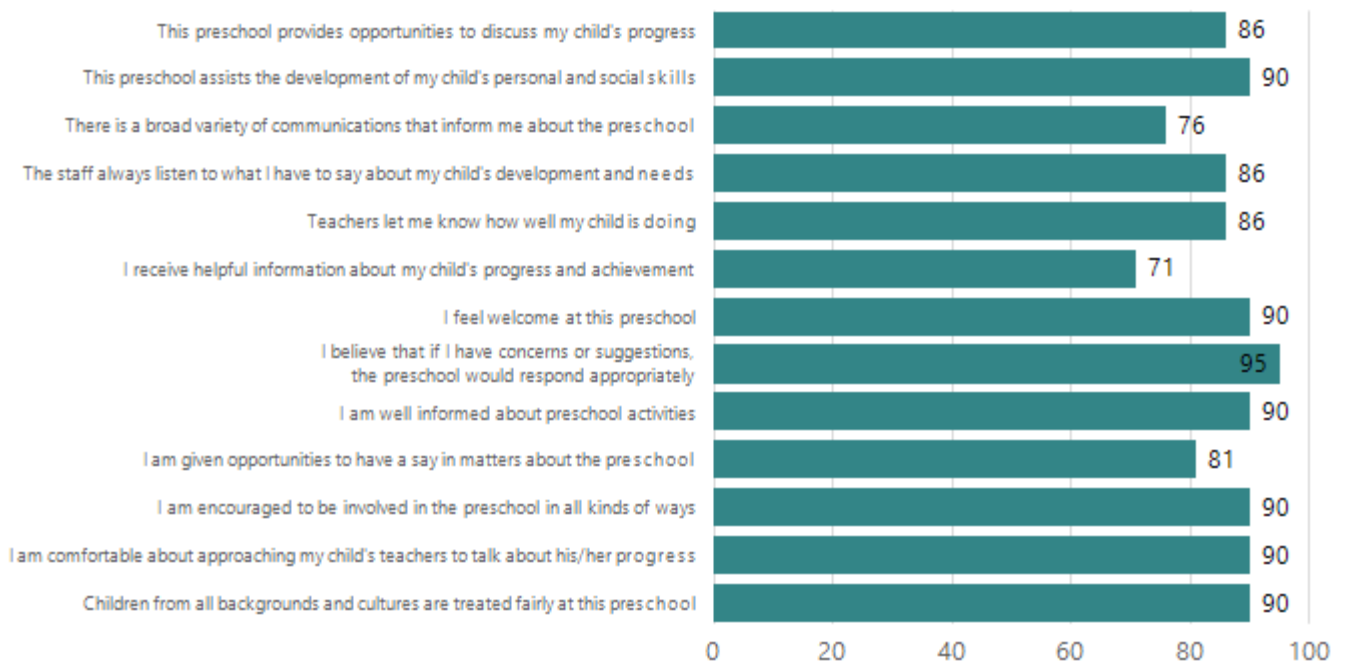
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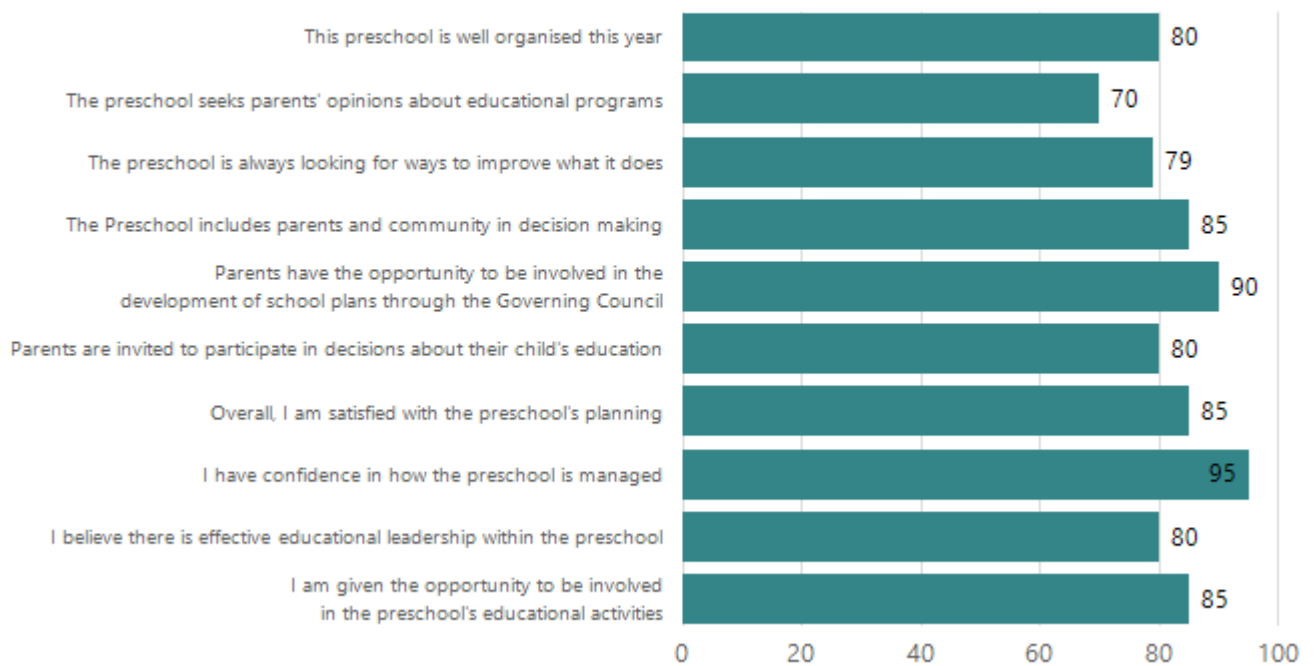
Proportion of agree/strongly agree responses (%)



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Leadership and Decision Making

Proportion of agree/strongly agree responses (%)



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Destination Schools

Feeder Schools (Site number - Name)	2021	2022	2023
0127 - Edwardstown Primary School	11.7%	11.1%	11.1%
0340 - Ascot Park Primary School	3.3%		
0346 - Plympton Primary School	8.3%		
0548 - Black Forest Primary School		4.4%	3.7%
0658 - Forbes Primary School	3.3%		5.6%
0907 - Plympton International College		6.7%	7.4%
8405 - Emmaus Christian College	26.7%	22.2%	16.7%
9020 - St Anthony's School	5.0%	11.1%	
9063 - St John the Baptist Catholic School	20.0%	17.8%	20.4%
9999 - Unknown	15.0%	17.8%	20.4%

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
Postgraduate Qualifications	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	3.8	0.0	0.6
Persons	0.0	5.0	0.0	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	\$483,459.57
Grants: Commonwealth	\$0
Parent Contributions	\$36,780.11
Fund Raising	\$2,674.55
Other	\$5,478.80

Data Source: School supplied data.

2023 Governing Council Annual Report

Plympton South Kindergarten

2023 was a wonderful year for families at Plympton South Kindy.

The staff provided a wonderful experience for the children, with many highlights this year as well as tons of engaging activities!

The kindy always has a busy program, and was visited by many community members including Metropolitan Fire Service, a bee keeper, George the Farmer, Trent Hill and special visits from Kate and Gigi who came to cook with the children.

Children invited Special Visitors and Friends for a Book Week celebration and had visits from a menagerie of animals including lizards, frogs and silk worms on circulation to add to their growing sense of curiosity.

The Parents organised two weekend morning family picnics at local parks – one in May and one in September. These allowed the children some extra time to play, and parents the chance to get to know one another better, including the new families that we had welcomed mid-year (though the weather kept quite a few home that day!)

Families enjoyed a Musical Muscles Showcase mid-year from the children at the end of their program with Caleb (a firm favourite!) The governing council shared our experiences of listening to renditions of Ice cream Van, Billy the Train and The Greedy Crocodile on repeat throughout the year – an ear worm. Fair warning.

Children and parent helpers enjoyed three excursions throughout the year - a community walk to Jervois St Reserve, a bus ride into the city for Patch Theatre, and a physically fun morning at Ascot Park Primary School's Gym Fun!

Wheels Day was an extra fun one for the children, as they counted their laps at the neighbouring Yapinga Reserve. RAA Street Smart team had visited the week before to offer tips about Bike Safety.

It was also exciting to celebrate the end of kindy year with a Week 8 Celebration at the end of term 4. Families bought picnics and chairs and watch the kindy children sing some songs for us all.

The Governing Council for 2023 was a dedicated group of parents who met regularly throughout the year. It was lovely to meet regularly in person, something we no longer take for granted.

We organised some successful fundraisers for PSK, including for the first time trialling a Winter Reds Wine Drive and Christmas Wine Drive as well as a People's Choice Raffle.

As always, the staff have provided a wonderful kindy experience for the children and their families, and we thank them for that, with particular mention here of the wonderful job the staff did to support Karen when she was absent in Term 2 and to both Ida and Kellie who retired at the end of Term 4.

It's a year we will remember with fondness, and with gratefulness for the enriched learning experiences our children have had that will follow them into their school journey and the special friendships they have made.

*Clare Thompson
Chairperson, Governing Council 2023.*