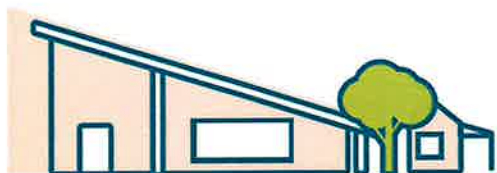


Mawson Lakes Preschool



2023 annual report to the Community

Mawson Lakes Preschool

Mawson Lakes Preschool number: 4163

Partnership: Hollywood Lakes & Gardens



Preschool director:

Sandra Cattel

 Signature

Date of endorsement:

20/02/2024



Government
of South Australia
Department for Education

Context Statement

Information about Mawson Lakes Preschool 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	86.6%	75.7%	83.5%	88.4%
2021 centre	88.1%	87.5%	87.7%	87.6%
2022 centre	75.9%	76.5%	82%	78.8%
2023 centre	82.6%	82.6%	88.1%	65.1%
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 we no students enrolled.

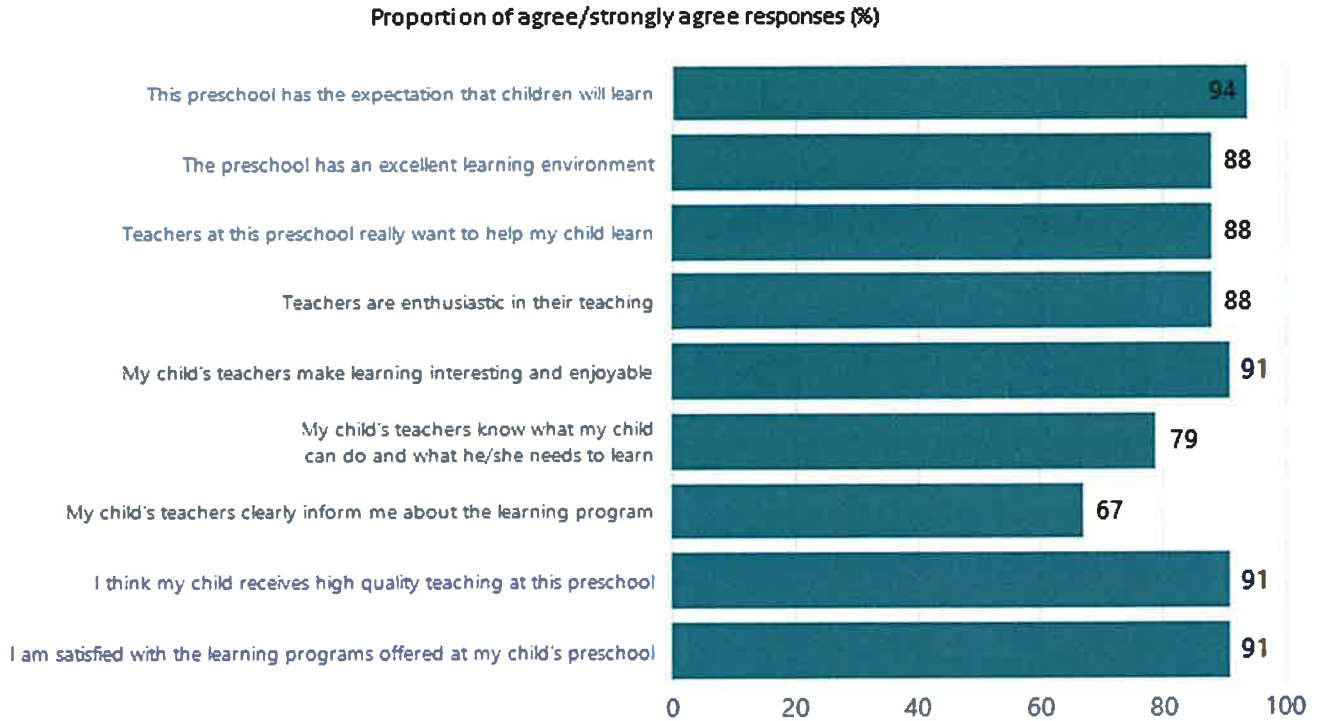
Note: Term 2 2020 data may not be available for all preschools.

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.

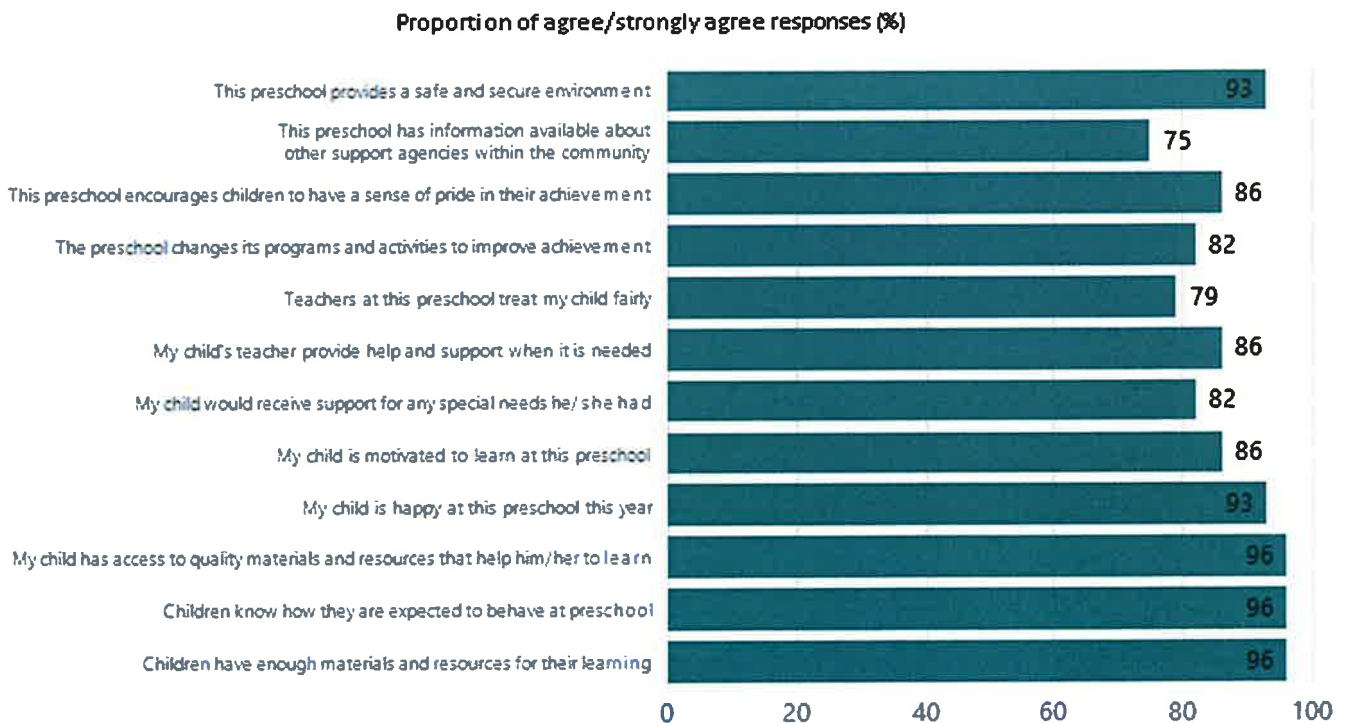
Preschool Family Opinion Survey

Quality of Teaching and Learning



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

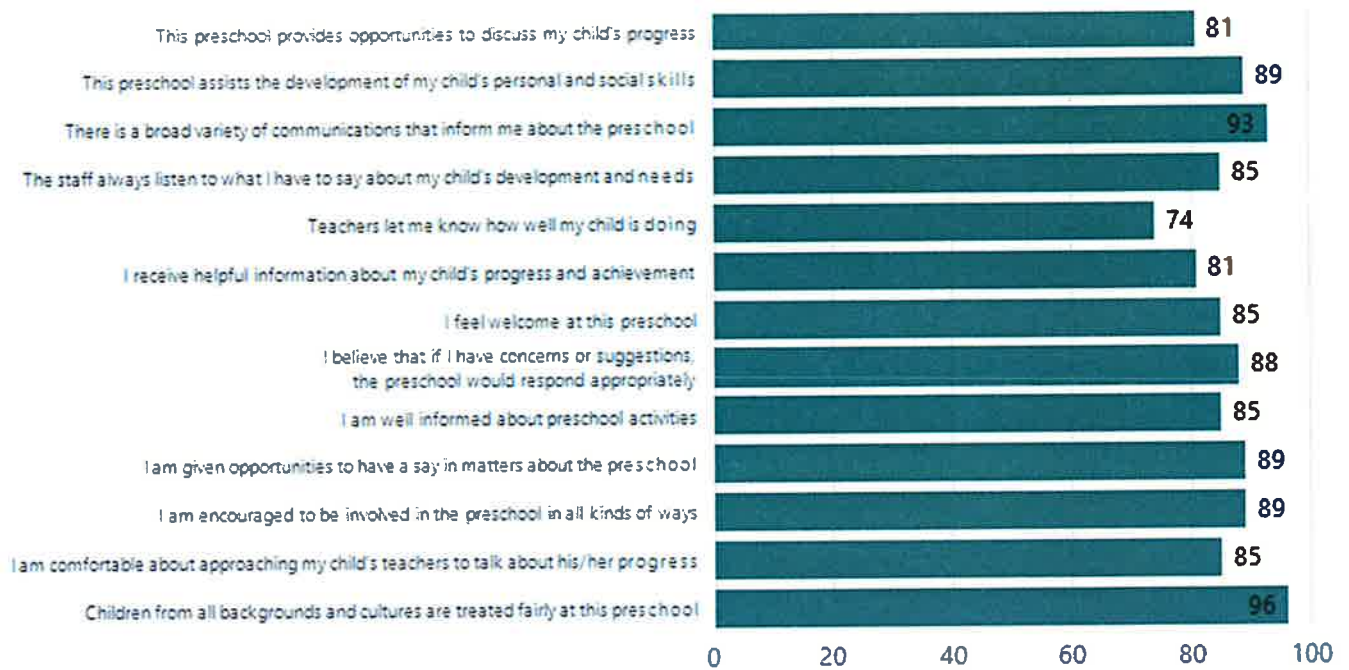
Support of Learning



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Relationships and Communication

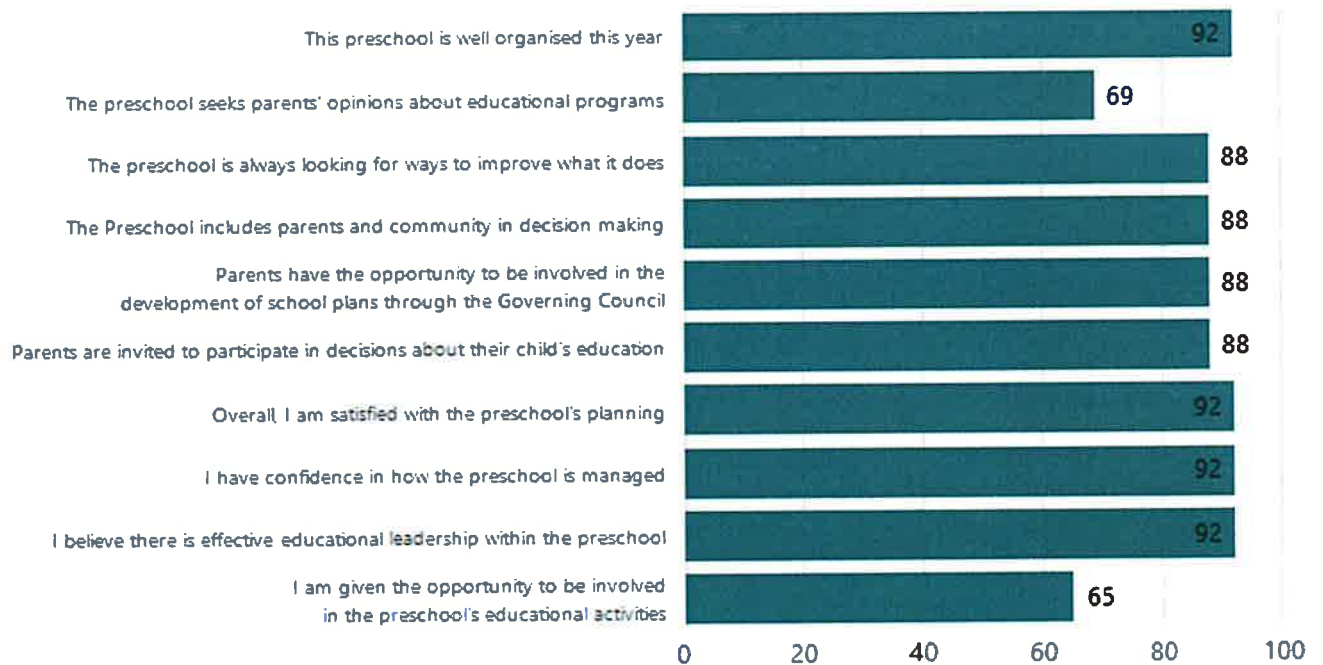
Proportion of agree/strongly agree responses (%)



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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
0987 - Mawson Lakes School	71.1%	63.3%	62.8%
8421 - King's Baptist Grammar School			3.3%
9116 - St Paul Lutheran School		3.4%	
9999 - Unknown	25.6%	23.9%	27.3%

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	4
Postgraduate Qualifications	1

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	4.5	0.0	3.6
Persons	0.0	5.0	0.0	5.0

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	\$1,000,177.68
Grants: Commonwealth	N/A
Parent Contributions	\$63,087
Fund Raising	N/A
Other	\$4,404.74

Data Source: School supplied data.

Governing Council Report

Dear Members of the Mawson Lakes Preschool Community,

What a year it has been for our Mawson Lakes Preschool! As we reflect on 2023, I am pleased to share with you some highlights and updates.

Improvements and Upgrades: We are thrilled to announce several improvements made throughout the year. The highlight was the long-awaited upgrade to our outside play area, featuring new seating areas, a stage, and a mud kitchen. These enhancements have been met with great enthusiasm from the children. Additionally, we have installed a washing machine and tumble dryer, as well as upgraded bathroom taps to sensor ones, enhancing the overall functionality and hygiene of our facilities.

Farewell to Sandra Cattel: It is with a mix of sadness and gratitude that we bid farewell to our beloved director, Sandra, who dedicated 17 years of her passion and dedication to our centre. Her presence will be deeply missed, and we extend our heartfelt thanks for her invaluable contributions.

Welcome Courtney: On a positive note, we warmly welcome our new director, Courtney. With a wealth of experience, Courtney has already begun making a positive impact, especially with the new intake of children in January 2024. We look forward to her leadership and vision guiding us into the future.

Catchment Area Discussions: Throughout the year, we have actively engaged in discussions regarding the alignment of our catchment area with that of our sister school, Mawson Lakes Primary. It has been a complex issue, and we have collaborated with various stakeholders, including parents, educators, members of Parliament, and the Department of Education, to advocate for our position. We firmly believe that aligning the catchment area with the primary school is in the best interest of our community, and we eagerly await the result of the review.

In closing, I want to express my sincere gratitude to each of you for entrusting me with the privilege of serving as the Chair of our Preschool Governing Council. It has been a rewarding experience, and I am grateful for the opportunity to work alongside such dedicated individuals committed to the well-being and success of our preschool.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs Candice Patti
Chairperson, Mawson Lakes Preschool Governing Council

