

2023 annual report to the Community

The Lady George Kindergarten

The Lady George Kindergarten number: 4689

Partnership: Greenhill South



Preschool director:

Catherine Meyer

Date of endorsement:

22/02/2024



Government
of South Australia
Department for Education

Context Statement

Information about The Lady George 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	95.5%		92.1%	95%
2021 centre		88.1%	92.7%	93.6%
2022 centre	83.2%	89.3%	82.7%	91.4%
2023 centre	90.7%	91.8%	87.7%	87.6%
2020 state	89.1%		84.6%	85.8%
2021 state		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.

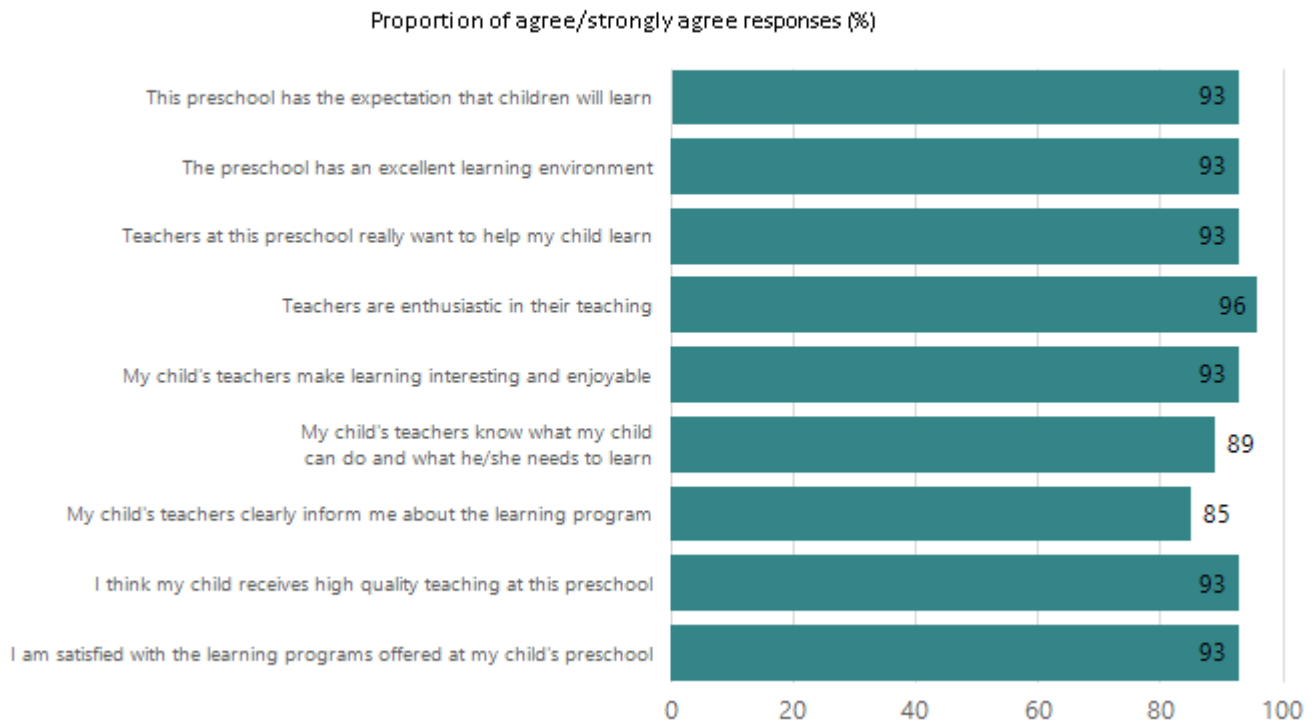
Note: Term 2 2020 data may not be available for all preschools.

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.

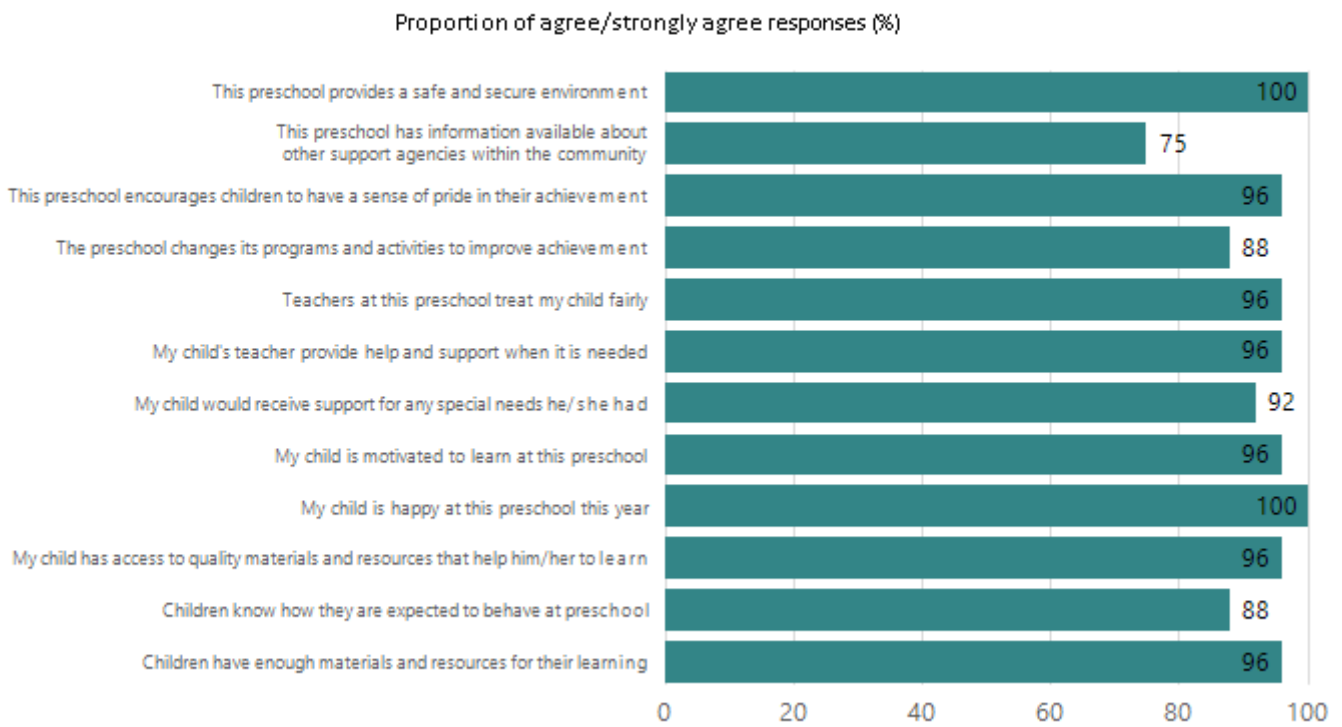
Preschool Family Opinion Survey

Quality of Teaching and Learning



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

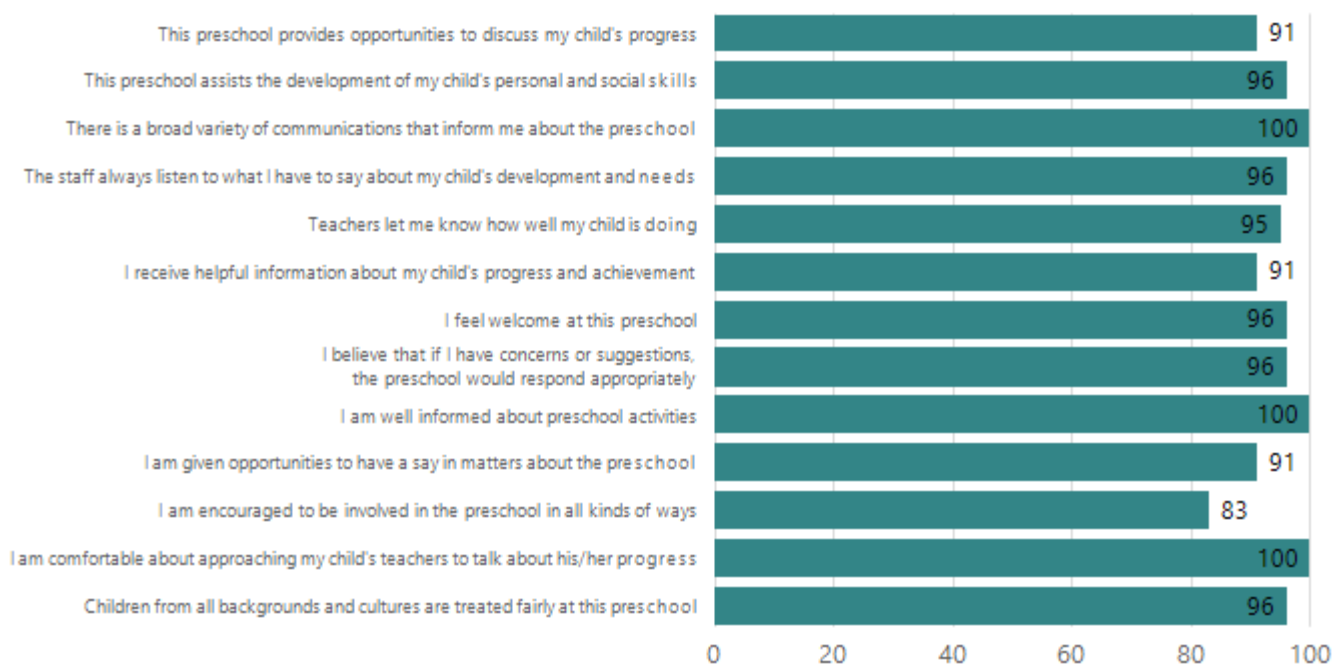
Support of Learning



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

Relationships and Communication

Proportion of agree/strongly agree responses (%)



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Leadership and Decision Making

Proportion of agree/strongly agree responses (%)



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

Destination Schools

Feeder Schools (Site number - Name)	2021	2022	2023
0152 - Glen Osmond Primary School	3.9%		
Unknown	67.3%	65.3%	55.8%
0447 - Unley Primary School	7.7%	12.2%	23.1%
0647 - Linden Park Primary School			3.9%
9999 - Unknown	15.4%	16.3%	13.5%

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	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	2.5	0.0	0.9
Persons	0.0	3.0	0.0	3.0

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	\$478,529
Parent Contributions	\$50,838
Fund Raising and other	\$5,298

Data Source: School supplied data.

2023 saw The lady George Kindergarten go from strength to strength. We had Catherine Meyer joining us as the new director of the kindy, and leading her experienced team of educators, our children were able to grow and learn about themselves and the world around them.

I know that all of our children have benefitted from their year at kindy, and hearing their stories, and seeing how much fun they have, has been a highlight for many of us.

The mid-year intake was something new for the Lady George, but the children joining the Karra group on a Monday and Tuesday settled in so quickly, that it was difficult to tell the difference between them and the ‘old-timers’ – this is a testament to the welcoming and professional teachers we have at the Lady George.

In terms of excursions, both groups had opportunities to visit Cleland Wildlife Reserve, Highgate School, and others. As a highlight for many, the kindy undertook an excursion in the third term to the Adelaide Zoo. This ultimately led to the fantastic year-end art show with the theme “Download from your Brain and put it behind the Frame”, where the children took their favourite animals from the Zoo excursion and transformed into fantastic works of art!

In addition to this, there were a number of Incursions held throughout the year – ranging from the well-known Garden Girl, visits from Unley Library; and even parents coming to share special cultural events or occasions with everyone.

Over the course of the year, the Governing Body arranged for two park socials and two family nights – which were well attended and helped to cement the bonds many of our children have developed over the year.

The new fencing was finally installed, and at the same time the play area had the mulching replaced and topped up – making our play area safe for everyone to use.

Other improvements to the centre, including the acquisition of new bbq for future events will provide further opportunities to host events and foster the sense of community that is so important.

On behalf of the governing council and the broader community, we want to thank Catherine and her dedicated team for a fantastic year of kindy. We know that with such a great team at the helm the 2024 cohort have a similarly fantastic year to look forward to.

Catherine Stutterheim

Chairperson 2023, The Lady George Kindergarten Governing Council.