



2023 annual report to the Community

# Dover Kindergarten

Dover Kindergarten number: 5667

Partnership: Holdfast



Preschool director:

Aaron Selway

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Signature

Date of endorsement:

11/04/2024



Government  
of South Australia  
Department for Education

## Context Statement

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

## Governing Council Chairperson's Report

The 2023 Governing Council actively supported the kindergarten in fundraising and the planning and implementation of several community events. Although fundraising was not identified as a priority for the kindergarten, the Governing Council organised and conducted a raffle which raised \$355 which will be used to purchase a Community Swap Library and supported the planning and running of a kindy cake stall at the Neighbourhood Watch Christmas in the Park at Dover Square which raised \$555.25.

The Governing Council also supported 2 Community Support projects in 2023. The first being a Winter Warmth Appeal to seek donations which were provided to St Andrew's Church in Glenelg and the second to support Treasure Boxes. We also held a Coffee and Play event at Dover Square to connect families from both groups.

## Parent Opinion Survey

As a result of the commencement of Mid-Year Intake in 2023, the decision was made not to use the department survey which had been used for the 10 years previous as many families would only have attended for a brief period prior to the survey being conducted. Instead, information was gathered from families late in Term 4 with very positive feedback received. Some of the quotes from families are listed below.

"The effort and accommodations the kindy have made are enormous. My child and the rest of the family now have a better understanding of how he views the world and what goes on in his mind and body. We are so grateful for your encouragement and support this year."

"My child has flourished and very much enjoyed herself. Many thanks to the Dover team for creating a wonderful and safe place for my child to learn, play and create."

"We are completely thrilled with the year our child has had at kindy. HE loves his days and his relationships with friends and all the educators. It is wonderful to see him learning in all areas of life and we thank you for giving him a year of fun, music and creativity."

"We really appreciate your care and professionalism in creating an environment where our child has felt safe to thrive and make connections. Dover Kindergarten has been a special place for our child and our family."

# Preschool Attendance

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
2020 centre	94.9%		92.3%	95%
2021 centre	92%	90.4%	91.4%	90.1%
2022 centre	82.5%	79.2%	82.4%	82.6%
2023 centre	91.7%	86.4%	90.6%	77%
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 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
0637 - Brighton Primary School	44.0%	31.9%	42.1%
0984 - Seaview Downs Primary School	8.0%	8.5%	3.5%
8220 - St Mary's Memorial School	4.0%		
8264 - McAuley Community School	6.0%	10.6%	10.5%
9074 - Stella Maris Parish School	8.0%	12.8%	5.3%
9999 - Unknown	20.0%	27.7%	33.3%

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	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	2.7	0.0	0.9
Persons	0.0	3.0	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	\$520,980.67
Grants: Commonwealth	NIL
Parent Contributions	\$46,262.50
Fund Raising	\$2,605.25
Other	\$51.12

Data Source: School supplied data.