

SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT

Johnstone, Sharon (Hawker Childhood Services Centre)



2024 annual report to the Community

Hawker Childhood Services Centre

Hawker Childhood Services Centre number: 6622

Partnership: Far North



Preschool director:

Sharon Johnstone

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Date of endorsement:

19/06/2025

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
Postgraduate Qualifications	1

Data Source: Data extracted from Mandatory Workforce Information Collections as on the last pay date of June 2024. 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	1.0	0.0	0.6
Persons	0.0	1.0	0.0	1.0

Data Source: Data extracted from Mandatory Workforce Information Collection as on the last pay date of June 2024.

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	\$196,369.13	
Grants: Commonwealth	\$0	
Parent Contributions	\$600	
Fund Raising	\$1689.45	
Other	\$2579.69	

Data Source: School supplied data

Destination Schools

Feeder Schools (Site number - Name)	2022	2023	2024
0175 - Hawker Area School	50.0%		
9999 - Unknown	50.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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, 2024.

Our Christmas party in December saw many children and parents celebrating the end of 2024, such a lovely time to get together and reflect on the year. It is looking to be a big year for the centre with 10 kids enrolled in the 3 & 4year-old program, these numbers are huge for our community, which brings much excitement to see what is in store for 2025.

At the end of 2024 we say goodbye to Kim Adele as she goes not to far up the road to be the Kindy Director for the Leigh Creek centre. Thank you for all your time and commitment to our centre and mostly to our children. We wish you all the best for 2025 and all the years to come.

Lastly thank you to our Governing Council members, all your hard work and volunteer time never goes unnoticed. I hope we can continue to grow our little committee a bit more and achieve huge things for 2025. Welcome to Sharon Johnstone our new director for 2025, and all the best to our new Kindy kids.

Preschool Attendance

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
2021 centre	64.6%	80.8%	87.5%	39.3%
2022 centre	66.7%	82.1%	56.2%	77.8%
2023 centre	72.7%	72.3%	72%	96.4%
2024 centre	83.3%		69.8%	

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 2024. A blank cell indicates there we no students enrolled.

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.

Context Statement

Hawker Childhood Services Centre provides high-quality early childhood education and care. Our centre is committed to fostering a nurturing and inclusive environment where children can thrive and develop essential skills.

For more detailed information about our centre, including our philosophy, programs, and policies, please visit our website. Additionally our centre's profile and quality ratings are available on the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) website, where you can find comprehensive details about our compliance with national standards.

We are proud to be part of the Hawker community and strive to maintain strong partnerships with families and local organisations to support the holistic development of every child in our care.

Governing Council Report

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Chairperson Report for 2024 (Terms 3 & 4)

AGM - 10/2/2025

Firstly, I would like to thank Kaila Mason for such dedication, enthusiasm, & knowledge over the past 2 years as Chairperson, we've all gained so much more understanding with you standing with us on the Governing Council. At the start of Term 3, we saw Kaila step down as Chairperson, and I stepped up into the Chairperson position for Term's 3 & 4.

Congratulations Kim on another year, the kids have absolutely thrived in all areas of learning, growth, and play. The wonder books were a great introduction this year, which they could take home, show the parents, and add their personal touches. The daily photo books that are a place for the students to record and document about each day at Kindy are also a great way to show parents what they do in Kindy.

This past year has seen a huge overhaul in all areas of the office, getting paperwork, policies, procedures and filing all on track so our centre can meet the expected standards. Hats of to everyone involved getting everything up to scratch. We saw Penny McCulloch join us for Term 3, to be an extra hand whilst the sorting of the centre for hand over was going on, thank you Penny.

Staff attended quite a few training days throughout the year, these days are such an asset and are invaluable to keep staff informed, up to date with training and networking with other centres. A huge thank you to Joelle for another tremendous year, keeping all the cogs turning in the background, we really appreciate all that you do.