

2024 annual report to the Community

Burra Early Learning Centre

Burra Early Learning Centre number: 6661

Partnership: Mid North Clare



Preschool director: Sarah Stoddart

Date of endorsement: 05/03/2025



Context Statement

Geographical location - 160kms road distance from GPO (km)

Enrolment/Attendance – 10-20 Stand-alone

Preschool staffing: Director/teacher 0.8, Preschool teachers 0.6, 0.1, 0.1, Administrative assistant 0.2

Rural care staffing: 3 worker program Monday and 2 worker program Tuesday-Friday

ELC Programs operating:

- Rural Care 5 days per week 8am-6pm
- Supported Playgroup Monday 9:30am 11am
- Preschool for eligible children Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9am 3pm (even weeks) Tuesday & Wednesday 9am - 3pm (odd weeks)
- Before Kindy care
- Bus children receive extended care before and after Preschool.
- Preschool Support as necessary provided by Support Services

Transition programs with the local community school and the nearby feeder schools are embedded practices. There is a strong commitment to work collaboratively with Junior Primary Staff at both schools, Burra CS and Booborowie PS for continuity of learning.

Governing Council Report

2024 was another great year at Burra ELC.

Some of the highlights include; the reopening of the carpark entrance (it was finally concreted), an upgrade to the veggie garden and replenishment of sand, bark chips and lawns.

Governing council was successful in receiving a FRRR grant for \$5000 to purchase monkey bars - a long standing request from the children over the years.

Fundraising efforts culminated in the purchase of two cubby forts for the outdoor area.

Rural care educators were awarded 2 pupil free days a year for professional development, an extra 1/2hr per day for programming and an additional week of Christmas holidays to rejuvenate.

Thanks to oulocal businesses and families for supporting our centre including, Lisa & Damo Miller for repositioning fence panels, the Klemm's for moving lots of sand and soft fall, Hayley Wenzel and family for keeping the outside looking fabulous, BCS tech students for donating a wood working table, the Men's shed for donating wood and the Burra Art Gallery for including the children in Art of the Flower exhibition.

All services continue to be utilised well at Burra ELC - Supported playgroup continues to grow, Rural care is at capacity with a waiting list and Preschool children are transitioning well.

Preschool Attendance

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
2021 centre	89.1%	39%	77.1%	92.4%
2022 centre	77.3%	34.8%	60%	78.2%
2023 centre	23.8%	78.8%	88%	89.5%
2024 centre	84.3%		78.8%	

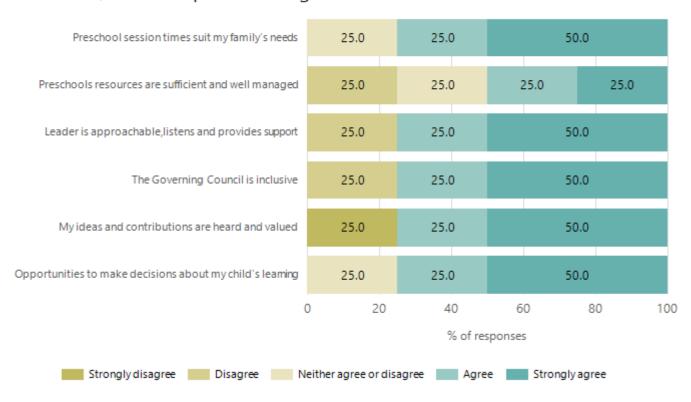
Based on attendances recorded in the two-week reference period each term. Data for eligible enrolments as described in the department's Enrolment policy. Attendance rates may differ to previous reporting with the transfer from calculations based on deemed attendance to actual attendance using booked 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.

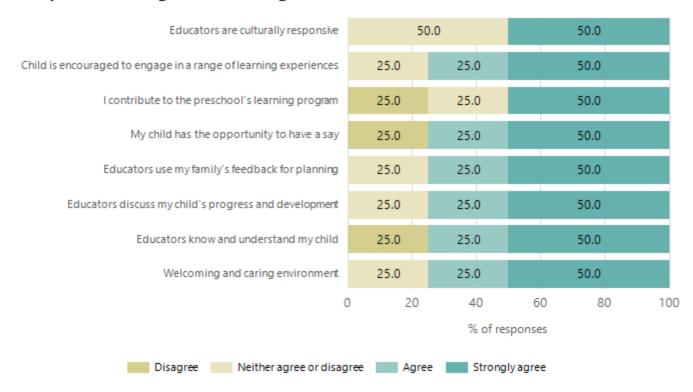
Preschool Family Opinion Survey

Governance, Leadership and Management



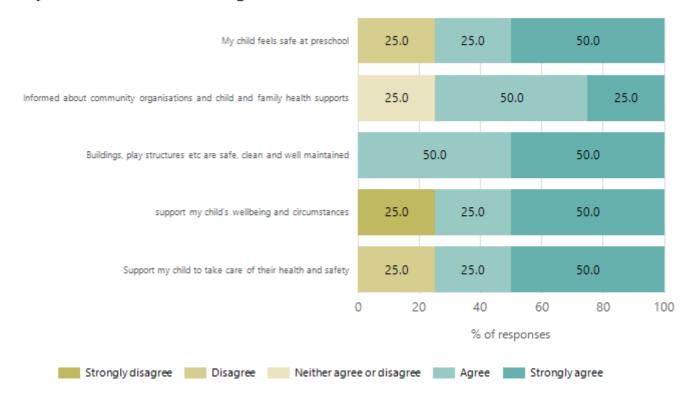
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Quality of Teaching and Learning



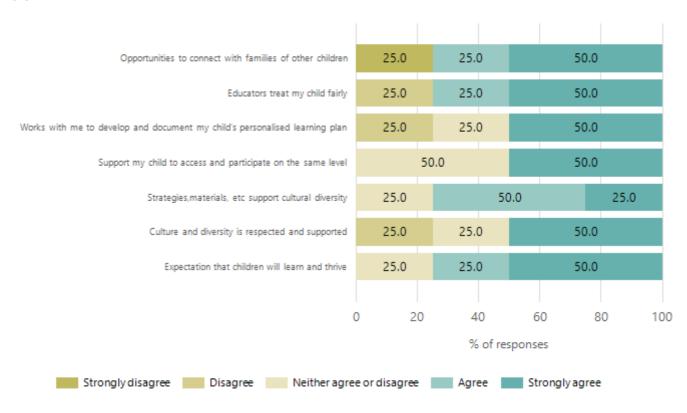
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Safety, Health and Wellbeing



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Support and Inclusion



Data Source: 2024 Department for Education Preschool Family Opinions Survey, Term 3 2024.

Destination Schools

Feeder Schools (Site number - Name)	2022	2023	2024
0245 - Manoora Primary School			5.6%
0385 - Robertstown Primary School		5.0%	
0600 - Booborowie Primary School	9.1%	5.0%	5.6%
0755 - Eudunda Area School			5.6%
1432 - Burra Community School	31.8%	85.0%	44.4%
9999 - Unknown	59.1%	5.0%	38.9%

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.

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 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	1.6	0.0	2.8
Persons	0.0	3.0	0.0	4.0

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Financial Statement

Funding Source	Amount
Grants: State	\$555,107.76
Grants: Commonwealth	0
Parent Contributions	\$6741.56
Fund Raising	\$1684.50
Other	\$559.22

Data Source: School supplied data.

[&]quot;Indigenous category" is self-reported by staff in the system.