PRESCHOOL CONTEXT STATEMENT

Centre number: 5668
Centre name: Dunbar Terrace Kindergarten

1. General information

- Preschool Director - Alexandra Scott
- Postal address - 38b Dunbar Terrace Glenelg East 5045
- Location address - as above
- DECS Region - Southern Adelaide
- Geographical location – 16km road distance from GPO (km)
- Telephone number - 82953925
- Fax number - 83767014
- Preschool website address: www.dunbarkgn.sa.edu.au
- Preschool e-mail address - kindy.director@dunbarkgn.sa.edu.au
- Enrolment/Attendance - 75 to 85
  [Include both enrolment and attendance numbers for the past 5 years.]
- Co-located/stand-alone - stand-alone

- Programs operating at the preschool
  ☑ Pre Entry
  ☑ Sessional Kindergarten for eligible children
2. Key Centre Policies

- Centre Priorities/Statement of Purpose
  - High Learner Achievement in a play based learning environment
  - Regular Attendance
  - Children's Engagement and Wellbeing

3. Curriculum

- Framework used: Early Year's Framework 'Belonging, Being, Becoming',
  Program Achieve - Success Characters
  Restorative Practise
  Boardmaker Graphics

- Core Values: Access and equity, sincere, responsive relationships with children and families, respect and trust, honesty, responsibility and commitment

- Specific curriculum approaches - play based learning, developmentally appropriate practise, children are encouraged to be active participants in their own learning

- Joint programmes/special curriculum projects - Implementation of new initiatives in Early Year's Literacy and Numeracy Plan
4. **Centre Based Staff**

- Staff Profile - 1.0 full time Director, 1.0 full time Teacher, 1.5 Early Childhood Worker

- Performance Management Program - as per DECS Requirements

- Access to special support staff - DECS Preschool support as required to meet specific needs, individual and clustered support

- Other - We have regular music and physical education sessions with specialist teachers

5. **Centre Facilities**

- Buildings and grounds - Exceptionally large outdoor area with magnificent established claret ash trees which provide shade and seasonal change. The centre is 57 years old and was recently upgraded in 2008 which included a new storeroom, office, bathroom facilities and outdoor shed. Recently a new sandpit and pergola were established

- Capacity (per session) - varies between 30 and 45 children with staffing adjusted accordingly

- Centre Ownership - DECS

- Access for children and staff with disabilities - Outdoor ramp

- Other
6. **Local Community** (intended for country preschools)

- General characteristics:
  
  *eg. types of work available, languages usually spoken at home, local developments.*

- Parent and community involvement in the preschool

- Schools to which children generally transfer from this preschool

- Other local care and educational facilities,
  
  *eg. child care, schools, OSHC.*

- Commercial/industrial and shopping facilities

- Other local facilities
  
  *For example, medical, sporting, social, cultural, recreational facilities.*

- Availability of staff housing
  
  *Including availability of Government Employee Housing, or availability of homes to rent or purchase.*

- Accessibility
  
  *Accessibility to Adelaide and relevant major centres, including public transport and its availability, frequency and cost (especially by air), road quality.*

- Local Government

7. **Further Comments**

- Partnership arrangements with other groups
  
  *Include any relevant cluster or shared arrangements, activities and operations, or relevant partnerships with local business/industry.*

- *Include any other key features not explained previously which would make the preschool and community professionally rewarding to prospective staff or include any significant history of the preschool and/or community.*