



PRESCHOOL CONTEXT STATEMENT

Updated: September 2018

Centre number: 6653

Centre name: Port Broughton Kindergarten

1. General information

- Preschool Director
Holly Makin
- Postal address
Po Box 28, Port Broughton Kindergarten, SA, 5522
- Location address
Cnr South Tce and Kadina Rd, Port Broughton, SA, 5522
- DECD Partnership
Northern Yorke Partnership
- Geographical location – ie road distance from GPO (km)
171km
- Telephone number
8635 2390
- Fax number
8635 2092
- Preschool website address:
<http://www.ptbrghtnkgn.sa.edu.au>

- Preschool e-mail address
dl.6653.leaders@sa.edu.au
- Enrolment/Attendance
- Co-located/stand-alone
Stand alone – located next to area school
- Programs operating at the preschool
Sessional Kindergarten for eligible children
Occasional Care
Associated Programs – Transition visits offered in Term 4, Playgroup on
Mondays (Parent run playgroup)
- On a needs basis:
Bilingual Support
Preschool Support

2. Key Centre Policies

- Centre Priorities/Statement of Purpose
Port Broughton Kindergarten is a welcoming environment for children and their families to engage in a play based curriculum. We highly value our outdoor environments, both in our centre and beyond the gates. We place a huge importance on children's wellbeing and our focus is always on what is best for the child.
We offer a wide range of play based experiences and opportunities for children to develop their learning dispositions while at Kindergarten.
Our strong relationship with the school allows us to offer an environment that we hope is continued on their journey at School.

3. Curriculum

- Framework used: Early Years Learning Framework – Being, Belonging, Becoming
Respect, Reflect, Relate
Literacy and Numeracy Indicators
Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum
- Core Values
Our Philosophy Statement focuses on three main areas: Explore, Belong and Play. We believe if our approach is always focused around these three words then our practice will meet our core values.
- Specific curriculum approaches
Play based and child initiated learning
Strong focus on children developing dispositions for learning
Children's voice is listened to and acted upon
The majority of our learning happens in the outdoor learning environment

- Joint programmes/special curriculum projects
Transition program with feeder school

4. Centre Based Staff

- Staff Profile
Director 0.5
ECW 0.5
Preschool Support Worker (as per funding allowance)
Finance Officer (works from Port Broughton Area School)
- Performance Management Program
Site Leader follows the Departments Personal Development Plan procedure where we meet with individual staff twice a year to discuss goals, priorities and concerns.
Site Leader meets with Education Director each term to discuss directions, goals, plans and concerns.
Families are asked to fill out a survey to reflect on the Quality Improvement Plan priorities for the year.
- Access to special support staff
A range of support personnel are available on an as needs basis.

5. Centre Facilities

- Buildings and grounds
Our building is in a sound condition with a large space for children to engage in. The building is 29 years old.
Our outdoor space is large with the provisions for a range of gross motor activities, gardening, the chance to experience fire, a cubby house, shady areas for play and many areas where children can access water.

- Capacity (per session)
24 children
- Centre Ownership
The Department
- Access for children and staff with disabilities
Ramp available, access to a disabled toilet and disabled parking.

6. Local Community (intended for country preschools)

- General characteristics:
Families in our area work mainly as farmers, fishermen or in Port Pirie at the Smelters.
The main language spoken at home is English.
- Parent and community involvement in the preschool
We have a large proportion of our families involved in the Kindergarten through Governing Council, fundraising, coming in to volunteer their time and attending special events and excursions.
- Schools to which children generally transfer from this preschool
Generally 100% of our Preschool children attend Port Broughton Area School
- Other local care and educational facilities,
Family Daycare
Occasional Care at the Kindergarten
 - Commercial/industrial and shopping facilities
Within the Barunga West District Council area. Hospital with two doctors & visiting specialists; Aged Care facilities; supermarket; Rural Transaction Centre (with associated services of ANZ banking, Centrelink & Medicare facilities); 2 caravan parks (both takes pets & the one has a swimming pool); hotel; motel; delicatessens; bakery; post office; petrol stations; plant nursery; discount chemist; hardware; outboard marine and auto repairs; butcher; beauty salon; hairdresser; earth movers; craft shop; cafe & numerous sporting & fishing facilities
 - Other local facilities
Port Broughton Area School is adjacent to the Kindergarten - with tennis courts, oval & community library

- Netball and Football is played during the winter season with a strong sense of community.
- Availability of staff housing
There are three houses for staff housing and others leased when required
- Accessibility
We are central to Port Pirie, Clare and Kadina.
Daily Stateliner bus from and to Adelaide
There is no public transport in the town
No access to flights in or out
- Local Government
Barunga West
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