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PRESCHOOL CONTEXT STATEMENT

Centre number: 5652

Centre name: West Beach Kindergarten

1. General information

- Preschool Directors
 Deb Martin
- Postal address
 13 Winston Cr
 WEST BEACH SA 5024
- Location address
 13 Winston Cr
 WEST BEACH SA 5024
- DECD Partnership
 Western Adelaide Shores
- Geographical location ie road distance from GPO (km)
 10 km
- Telephone number 8356 7081
- Fax number
 8355 0146
- Preschool website address:



http://www.westbchkgn.sa.edu.au

- Preschool e-mail address <u>deborah.martin116@schools.sa.edu.au</u>
- Enrolment figures

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2015 - 58
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2016 - 58

2017 - 66

- Stand alone Kindergarten
- Programs operating at the preschool
 - Early Entry integrated into Sessional Kindergarten subject to criteria and Centre capacity/staffing requirements
 - Sessional Kindergarten for eligible children Monday and Wednesday 8:30 – 4:00 or Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 – 4:00 Includes 15hr Universal Access funded session Children attend either group.
 - Full Day Program
 - Bilingual Support as required
 - Preschool Support support can be provided for induvudial children following DECD procedures.
 - Playgroup
 Friday 9:30 11:30 except final Friday of term
 Parent-run.



2. Key Centre Policies

Key Centre Priorities/Statement of Purpose

West Beach Kindergarten is a child centred kindergarten that works in partnership with families and local community

- 1. We recognise the importance of strong curriculm foci in the areas of numeracy/language/literacy and social and emotional development
- 2. Committed to high quality teaching to ensure positive outcomes for children's learning
- 3. We recognise the early childhood years are about valuing the here and now in a child's ongoing development and life long learning
- We value and implement the DECD priorities and policies and work collaboratively with colleagues in the Western Adelaide Shores Partnership

3. Curriculum

- Framework used: Early Years Learning Framework Belonging, Being & Becoming
- Core Values
 - We are committed to reflecting on our work to ensure continuous improvement in what we do.
 - We believe in the importance of fostering exploration, curiosity, creativitiy and challenge in all children
 - We value parent involvement and input into the decision making processes
 - We are committed to improving the quality of our assessment and reporting procedures
 - We believe that play based learning within a child centred curriculum is the best environment for children's development.

We value:

- Teamwork - Communication

- Confidence - Creativity

- Respect - Problem Solving

- Persistence

Values developed in collaboration with staff and families at West Beach Kindergarten 2017



- Specific curriculum emphases is on the following areas
 - Early Literacy development Oral Language Focus
 - Numeracy development
 - Self help skills and independence
 - Promoting overall wellbeing and positive social functioning
 - Promoting imaginative/dramatic play
 - Digital learning
- Special curriculum projects/joint programs
 - Social functioning program, establishing coping, negotiation strategies and skill development
 - Environmental and sustainability program- WOW- waste reduction program
 - Vegetable garden beds
 - Transition program with West Beach Primary School



4. Centre Based Staff

Staff Profile

Director 1.0

Teacher 1.0

ECW 0.5

Additional staff employed as required

- Performance Management Program
- Access to special support staff

5. Centre Facilities

- Buildings and grounds
 - 3 children's toilets
- Capacity (per session)
 36 children
 Site capacity is 72
- Centre Ownership
 - DECD
- Access for children and staff with disabilities
 - YES with limited wheelchair access

6. Further Comments

- Partnership arrangements with other groups
 - Child and Youth Health Service (CYHS) screenings on site once a term

