

WARRADALE KINDERGARTEN

Inclusive Preschool Program for Deaf/Hard of Hearing Children

The Inclusive Preschool Program at Warradale Kindergarten provides an educational option that ensures children who are Deaf/Hard of Hearing are provided with the support they need to engage with the preschool curriculum on the same basis as their peers.

Our Program

The Warradale Kindergarten Inclusive Preschool Program (IPP) provides:

- Preschool education in the Southern Adelaide area for children who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing alongside their hearing peers
- A language rich play environment with a strong focus on the development of communication skills, early literacy, numeracy and social interactions
- A bilingual program where spoken English and Auslan (Australian Sign Language) are used naturally throughout the kindergarten to provide access for all children
- Specialist staff including a full-time Teacher of the Deaf and an Early Childhood Educator
- An excellent acoustic environment with opportunities for small group work and individual support where needed.

Eligibility

Your child may be included in this program if:

- they have an identified hearing loss or
- your child is a CODA (Child of Deaf Adult) whose first language is Auslan
- your child is the hearing sibling of a child whose first language is Auslan.

Referral Information

Children may be referred to this program by the family and/or early intervention services.

We will ask you for information such as:

- audiological reports
- the child's communication needs
- your family's communication needs.

Please contact the kindergarten for further information and referral advice.