



# PRESCHOOL CONTEXT STATEMENT

Updated: 13/02/2017

**Centre number:** 3683

**Centre name:** SeafordK-7 Campus Preschool

## 1. General information

Preschool Director- Heather Morony

Postal address-39 Jane Street, Port Noarlunga South 5167

Location address- as above

DECD Partnership- River Hub Partnership

Geographical location – ie road distance from GPO (km) 40 km from CBD. Located just off of Commercial Road in the suburb of Port Noarlunga South

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- Preschool website address: [www.seafordareakgn.sa.edu.au/](http://www.seafordareakgn.sa.edu.au/)
- Preschool e-mail address: [dl.3683leaders@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.3683leaders@schools.sa.edu.au)

Enrolment/Attendance: Enrolment numbers over the last 5 years have ranged between 70-80 children attending. In 2016 there were 76 children enrolled (our numbers were capped at 33 children in one group and 44 children in the 2<sup>nd</sup> group). Currently (as of term 1, 2017) we are capped at 30 children in each of our 2 groups.

Our attendance numbers have fluctuated during the 5 years.

Co-located/stand-alone: co-located with Seaford K-7Campus School(Seaford Primary)

Programs operating at the preschool

- ⌘ Sessional Kindergarten for eligible children
- ⌘ Family Connections Playgroup
- ⌘ Lunch/Full Day Program
- ⌘ Bilingual Support- currently not required however may be offered
- ⌘ Preschool Support

## **2. Key Centre Policies**

- Philosophy and Priorities as shown in our Quality Improvement Plan
- Behaviour Support Policy
- Healthy Food and Nutrition
- SunSmart

### 3. Curriculum

Frameworks used: Early Years Learning Framework (Belonging Being Becoming)  
Respect Reflect Relate

and 'Implementation Guidelines for Indicators of Preschool Numeracy and Literacy'

Core Values: Children-

- Having a strong Sense of Belonging
  - Being competent and capable learners
- And Respect- being caring towards others and with the environment

Specific curriculum approaches:

Both the outdoor and indoor learning environments provide a rich source for literacy and numeracy learning, developing learning dispositions (supported through our preschool's implementation of the 'You Can Do It' program, promoting resilience and a growth mindset).

The learning environment is one which challenges, engages and stretches children as staff work in partnership with families to implement a play-based curriculum.

### 4. Centre Based Staff

Staff Profile

*For 2017*

1.0	Director
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2.0	.5 Early Childhood Workers + further early assistance and preschool support 'top up'

Further support provided with an extra part time ECW for early assistance and preschool support

Part time Finance worker

Performance Management Program

All staff meet with the Director at least twice per year

Access to special support staff

Various special support personnel are available through DECD. These include speech pathologists, psychologists, special educators and social workers.

### 5. Centre Facilities

Buildings and grounds

Our preschool is situated on the same site as the Seaford Campus School. Being co-located enables opportunities for both the preschool and the early years at the school to work closer.

Our indoor area is spacious with lovely natural lighting. We are currently planning improvements to our outdoor learning environment to incorporate a stronger focus on children being connected and engaged with nature.

Capacity (per session)

30 children in each of our 2 groups

Centre Ownership

DECD

Access for children and staff with disabilities

There is a disability carpark and access to a disability toilet

## **6. Local Community (intended for country preschools)**

### General characteristics:

The preschool is situated in the Onkaparinga Council, near the southern beaches in a growing outer metropolitan suburb. The majority of families using this preschool are Anglo Saxon.

### Parent and community involvement in the preschool

Families are encouraged to work in partnership with the preschool staff. There is a preschool committee- a small number of these parents then attend the joint Governing Council.

On Friday mornings there is a playgroup called 'Family Connections' that operates at the same time as Friday morning kindy.

### Schools to which children generally transfer from this preschool

A high number of our pre-schoolers will attend the school that we are co-located with (Seaford K-7 Campus School), however there are a range of other schools that children will transfer into including Moana Primary, All Saints Catholic School, Port Noarlunga Primary, Old Noarlunga Primary, McLaren Vale Primary and Seaford Rise Primary.

Other local care and educational facilities,

Seaford Early Learning Centre

### Commercial/industrial and shopping facilities

A range of shopping is available in several nearby locations (in Seaford Meadows, Seaford Rise, Port Noarlunga South and Seaford).

### Other local facilities

Sporting clubs, the Ecumenical Centre, a Community Centre and various medical facilities are available.

Availability of staff housing- N/A

### Accessibility

Both bus and train services

### Local Government

Onkaparinga Council

## **7. Further Comments**

Partnership arrangements with other groups

Our preschool is one of 4 preschools and 6 schools in our area that belong to the River Hub Partnership. Our partnership has a strong focus on resilience, growth mindset, literacy and numeracy learning.