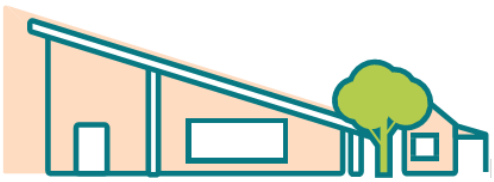


2024 annual report to the Community

Woodcroft Heights Children's Centre

Woodcroft Heights Children's Centre number: 3625

Partnership: Panalatinga

Preschool director: Monique Hocking

Date of endorsement: 18/02/2025

Government of South Australia
Department for Education

Context Statement

Information about Woodcroft Heights Children's Centre is available on the centres website, as well as the Australian Childrens Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) website.

Governing Council Report

In 2024, the Governing Council had a really productive year, making some fantastic improvements and achieving a lot for the children's centre community. Here are just a few highlights:

1. **Improved Facilities**: The approval of the beautiful new sliding doors between the OC room and the kindy space was a great addition. It's made the space feel more open and connected, making it a better environment for both children and staff.

2. **New Website**: The GC worked together to launch a fresh, user-friendly website. It's easier for families to access all the info they need and stay updated on everything happening at the site.

3. **Collaborative Philosophy Statement**: The GC were highly involved in updating the site's philosophy statement, making sure it reflects the values and vision that everyone can get behind and work towards.

4. **Sunscreen Policy**: A new sunscreen policy was approved, ensuring the kids are well-protected while enjoying outdoor activities, which is super important, especially with our sunny weather.

5. **New Uniform Company**: The Governing Council selected a new uniform company, making sure students get high-quality, comfortable uniforms that they can be proud of.

6. **Fundraising Success**: There was a lot of energy put into fundraising, and it really paid off. The Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls raised the most money in years, which was a huge win for the community.

7. **Kindy Yard Revamp**: Another exciting development is the fundraising that's helped raise nearly $10,000 for a revamp of the Kindy yard. The first changes will be rolled out during the April school holidays, so it'll be great to see that space transform.

Overall, it was a busy and successful year, with lots of positive changes that will have a lasting impact on the school. And I can't wait to get started this year.

Preschool Attendance

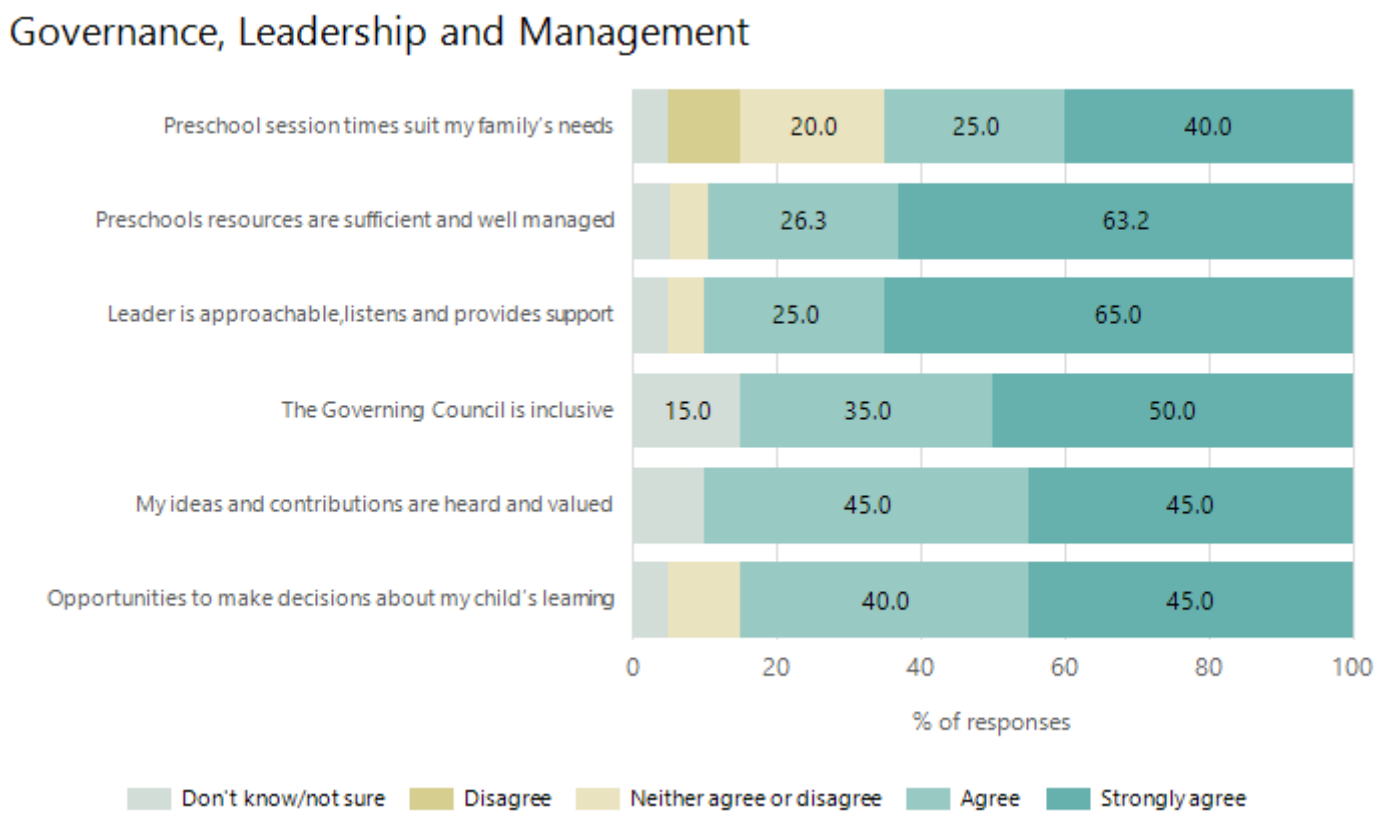
	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
2021 centre	90.8%	87.3%	88.9%	85.5%
2022 centre	85.4%	75.6%	76.5%	80.3%
2023 centre	89.7%	82%	90.1%	80.1%
2024 centre	90.3%		85.8%	

Based on attendances recorded in the two-week reference period each term. Data for eligible enrolments as described in the department's Enrolment policy. Attendance rates may differ to previous reporting with the transfer from calculations based on deemed attendance to actual attendance using booked hours divided by attended hours. Data Source: Department for Education Attendance Data, Semester 1 Report 2024. A blank cell indicates there we no students enrolled.

Attendance Comment

In South Australia, preschool attendance is not compulsory, but it is strongly encouraged. Preschool gives children the best opportunity to develop skills, which prepare them for school. These benefits include establishing positive routines and habits, friendships and connections as well as developing communication, problem-solving and creative skills. All children are entitled to access a preschool program over 4 terms the year before they start school.

Preschool Family Opinion Survey



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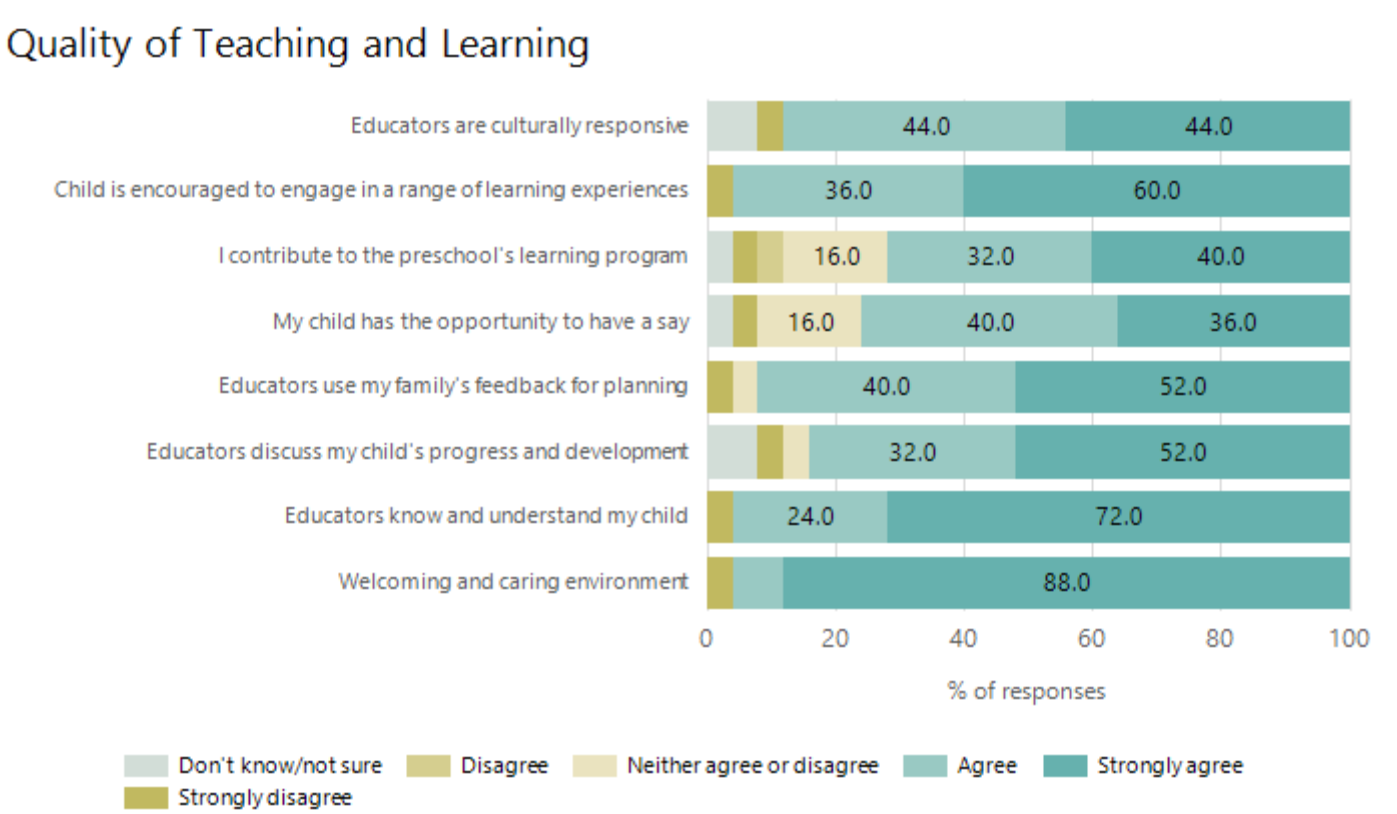

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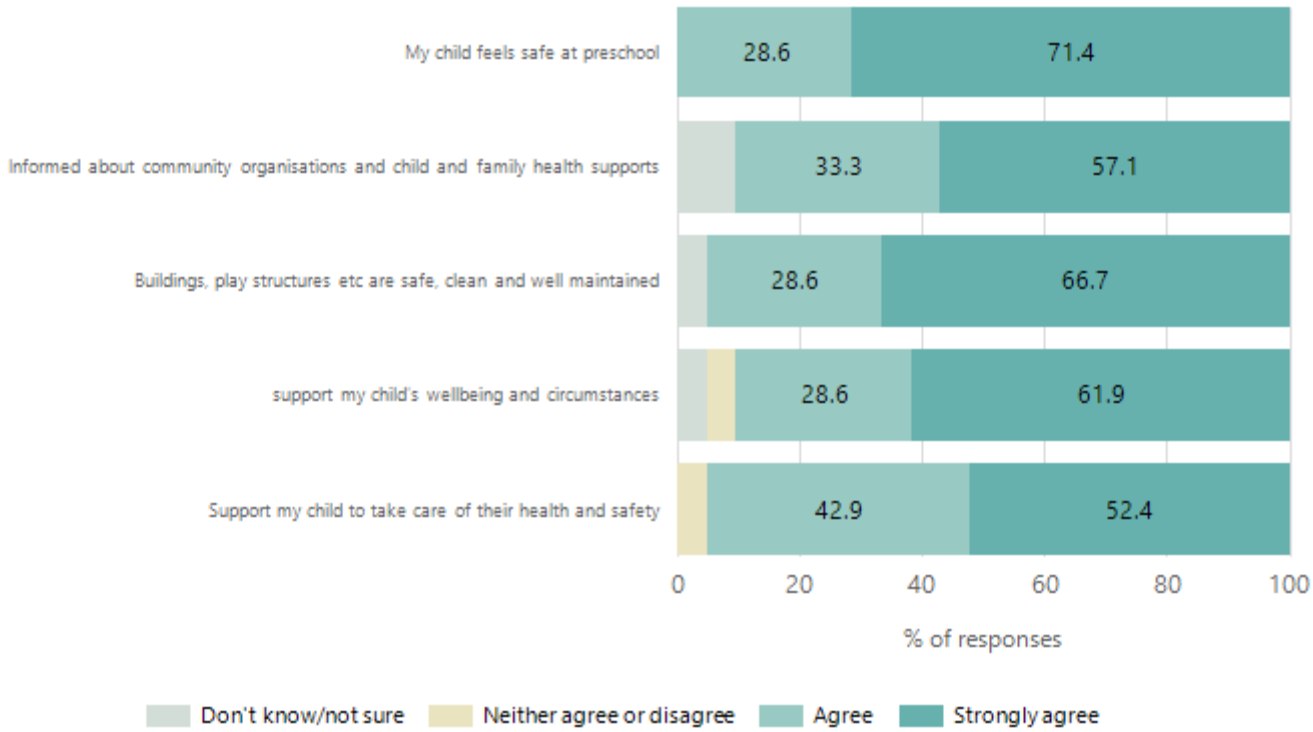

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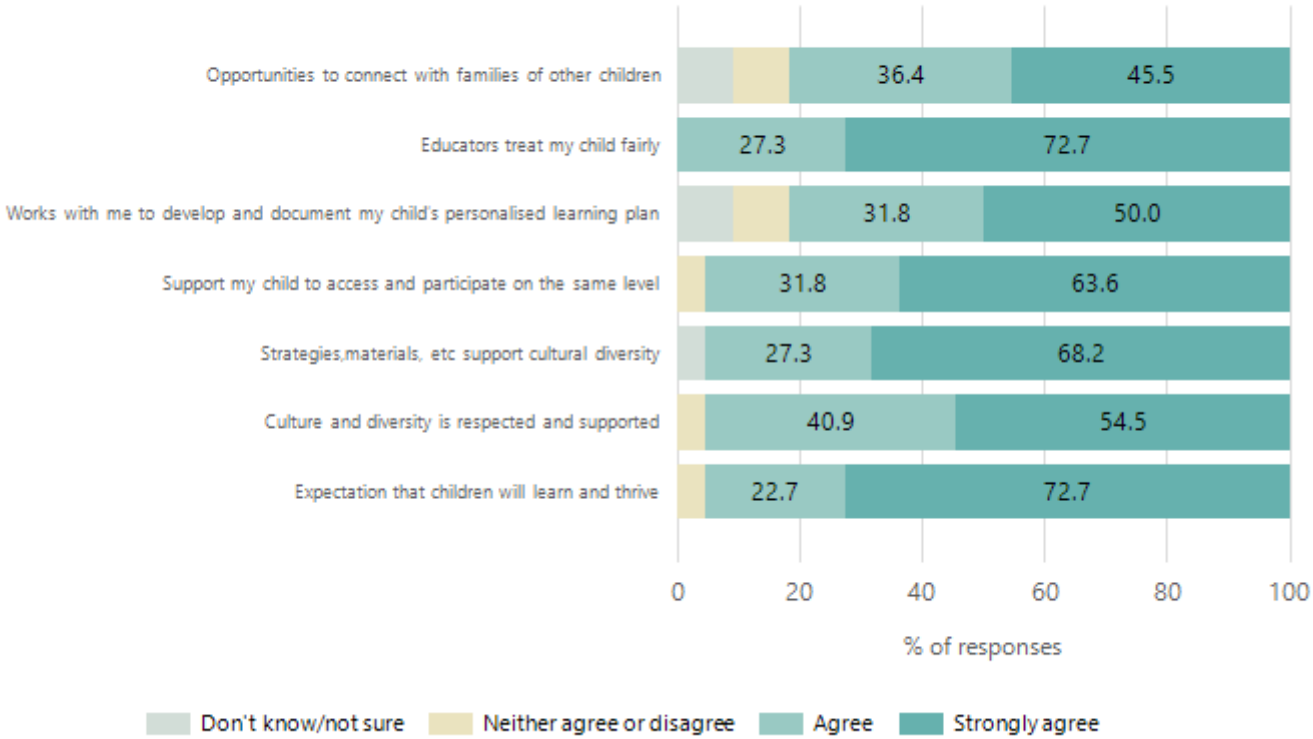

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Destination Schools

Feeder Schools (Site number - Name)	2022	2023	2024
1776 - Woodcroft Primary School	70.4%	68.2%	61.7%
8390 - Prescott College Southern	11.3%		
9755 - Emmaus Catholic School		11.8%	17.8%
9999 - Unknown	8.5%	10.9%	7.5%

Note: The data is collected in term 3. It does not reflect actual schools enrolled in by existing preschool children. A blank cell indicates there was no data for students enrolled.

Data Source: Department for Education Destination Data Report, 2024.

Highest Qualifications held by the teaching workforce and workforce composition

All teachers at this school are qualified and registered with the SA Teachers Registration Board.

Qualification Level	Number of Qualifications
Bachelor's degrees or Diplomas	5
Postgraduate Qualifications	3

Data Source: Data extracted from Mandatory Workforce Information Collections as on the last pay date of June 2024. As self-reported by staff in the system.

Please note: Data includes staff who are Actively employed and on extended paid leave. Please note only the highest qualification of the Teaching staff is reported. Excludes any number of other certifications earned.

Workforce composition including indigenous staff

	Teaching Staff		Non-Teaching Staff	
	Indigenous	Non-Indigenous	Indigenous	Non-Indigenous
Full-Time Equivalents	0.0	5.2	0.0	5.2
Persons	0.0	8.0	0.0	8.0

Data Source: Data extracted from Mandatory Workforce Information Collection as on the last pay date of June 2024.

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"Indigenous category" is self-reported by staff in the system.

Financial Statement

Funding Source	Amount
Grants: State	$902,315.58
Grants: Commonwealth	NA
Parent Contributions	$40242
Fund Raising	$9225.26
Other	$1731.23

Data Source: School supplied data.