



# PRESCHOOL CONTEXT STATEMENT

Updated: 2017

**Centre number:** 4643

**Centre name:** Newland Park Kindergarten

## 1. General information

- Preschool Director: Heather Tozer
- Postal address; 46 lockwood road, Erindale 5066
- Location address; as above
- DECD Partnership: central east partnership
- Geographical location: – 4.5km east of GPO
- Telephone number: 84311313
- Fax number: N/A
- Preschool website address: [www.newlandparkkgn.sa.edu.au](http://www.newlandparkkgn.sa.edu.au)
- Preschool e-mail address; [heather.tozer924@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:heather.tozer924@schools.sa.edu.au)
- Enrolment/Attendance: current enrolment for 2017 is 66 children. Very high attendance
- Co-located
- Programs operating at the preschool
  - ❖ Sessional Kindergarten for eligible children: Monday to Thursday 8.30 – 4.00. (flexible choice)
  - ❖ Associated Programs; Playgroup Friday 9.30 – 11.00

- ❖ Lunch/Full Day Program
- ❖ Bilingual Support
- ❖ Preschool Support

## 2. Key Centre Policies

- Centre Priorities/Statement of Purpose  
At Newland Park Kindergarten we believe:
  - That children are life long learners
  - That meaningful, play based learning experiences support powerful learners, intellectual growth and deep thinking
  - That learning is a partnership between families, children, educators and the environment
  - In nurturing a connection between nature and children.

## 3. Curriculum

- Framework used: Early Years Learning Framework  
Preschool Numeracy and Literacy indicators
- Core Values: At newland park kindergarten we promote:
  - Emotional resilience
  - Self-motivation
  - Independence
  - Persistence
  - Resourcefulness
  - Risk taking
  - Problem solving
- Specific curriculum approaches;  
Nature Kindergarten  
Sustainable practices

## **4. Centre Based Staff**

- Staff Profile:  
Director 1.0  
Teacher 1.0  
ECW 0.1 (contract) ECW 0.6 (contract)  
Teacher 0.6 Universal access
- Performance Management Program  
All staff complete an annual Performance and Development Plan which is discussed and reviewed throughout the year
- Access to special support staff  
Staff work closely with DECD support services and Bilingual Assistance Program staff as well as private providers when required

## **5. Centre Facilities**

- Buildings and grounds  
The building was purpose built in 1959. Several up grades have occurred since. The outdoor area is designed for interactive play. We have several zones within our play space. The outdoor area has won awards and is featured in a DECD publication.
- Capacity (per session); 33 children
- Centre Ownership: Burnside City Council
- Access for children and staff with disabilities:  
Indoors is all flat and one level. Outdoors can be accessed by either steps or a ramp

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

- General characteristics: families live locally and most are working full or part time. We have several cultures represented.
- Parent and community involvement in the preschool:  
We have a strong representation on Governing Council  
We hold community art events at least twice per year.
- Schools to which children generally transfer from this preschool:  
Burnside Primary School  
Linden Park Primary School  
Other private and public schools
- Commercial/industrial and shopping facilities:  
We are located close to Erindale Shopping Centre
- Local Government:  
City of Burnside

## **7. Further Comments**

- Partnership arrangements with other groups:  
We work closely with our Central East Partnership Group and local schools and preschools.