PRESCHOOL CONTEXT STATEMENT

Centre number: 6603
Centre name: Ardrossan and Districts Community Kindergarten

1. General information
   - Preschool Director Jane Klaebe
   - Postal address 26 West Terrace ardrossan SA 5571
   - Location address 26 West Terrace
   - DECD Region Southern Yorke
   - Geographical location – Approx 180km from GPO
   - Telephone number 88373284
   - Fax number 88374007
   - Preschool website address: www.ardrossankgn.sa.edu.au
   - Preschool e-mail address Jane.Klaebe425@schools.sa.edu.au
   - Enrolment/Attendance
     2013-19
     2014-16
     2015-14
     2016-14
     2017-13
• Co-located/stand-alone
  Stand-alone
• Programs operating at the preschool
  ☐ Pre Entry
  ☐ Sessional Kindergarten for eligible children
  ☐ Occasional Care funded for 3 sessions
  ☐ Lunch/Full Day Program
  ☐ Preschool Support

2. **Key Centre Policies**
   At Ardrossan and Districts Community kindergarten
   • We provide a safe, friendly and caring environment that supports and encourages positive relationships with staff, families and community to ensure opportunities for quality learning.
   • We value the importance of a Play-based approach using the EYL Framework- Belonging, Being and Becoming.
   • We work together to promote learning for all

3. **Curriculum**
   • Framework used:
     *Early years Learning Framework*

   • Specific curriculum approaches
     Child protection Curriculum, play based especially nature play.
• Joint programmes/special curriculum projects
  Beach kindy

4. Centre Based Staff

• Staff Profile
  *Director teacher 0.5 +0.1 UA+ 0.10C
  *ECW 0.6 OC 12 hours

• Performance Management Program
  Written Goals with a minimum of 2 review meetings reviews throughout
  year and a final written review Term 4

• Access to special support staff
  Preschool support options through a referral process supported termly

5. Centre Facilities

• Buildings and grounds
  *Large outdoor play area with waterpump, sand and stone creek, mudkitchen, vegetable gardens, playground, swings and developing sensory gardens.
  *Large verandah with blinds and indoor area with 2 children's toilets and 1 adults. Office and storage area provided. Groundman shed and large storage shed for outdoor equipment also on site.

• Capacity (per session) 25

• Centre Ownership Yorke Peninsula Council/ DECD

• Access for children and staff with disabilities Ramps provided

• Other

6. Local Community (intended for country preschools)

• General characteristics:
  Ardrossan is a seaside town located within a widefarming district servicing outlying
towns including Port Clinton, Price and Pine Point.
  • Parent and community involvement in the preschool:
    We welcome any parents/caregivers that wish to spend time in our sessions and join
    in various activities. Families can be involved by joining in sessions, becoming a
    member of the Governing Council, volunteering for the cleaning roster and
participating in events and fundraising activities. We regularly visit the Community library located on the Ardrossan School grounds.

- Schools to which children generally transfer from this preschool
  Ardrossan Area School

- Other local care and educational facilities,
  Community Library, School Dental Clinic located in grounds of Maitland Area School, Child and Youth run regular clinics at the Maitland Health Centre, Family Day Care is accessed through the Maitland office, and CYP Gymjams (kindergym) operates in the Ardrossan Area School gymnasium.

  * Commercial/industrial and shopping facilities: Major industries are OneSteel (dolomite mine), Viterra (grain silos) and Cheetham Salt at Price (approx. 17kms north of Ardrossan (salt production)).
  There are two caravan parks.
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- Other local facilities Services include a private hospital, aged care facilities, doctors, dentists, ambulance, cfs and police officers.

- Availability of staff housing
  Minimal rental accommodation, caravan parks or motel.

- Accessibility There is a regular bus service to Adelaide and a well serviced road with dual highway from Port Wakefield.

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7. **Further Comments**

- Partnership arrangements with other groups
  
  *Southern Yorke Partnership includes Leaders from all schools and Preschools on the Southern Yorke Peninsula*