



PRESCHOOL CONTEXT STATEMENT

Updated: 8/16

Centre number: Hub Drive 3600 Taylors Rd 3601

Centre name: Aberfoyle Hub Preschool

1. General information

- Preschool Director
Heather Heading
- Postal address
36 Taylors Rd Aberfoyle Pk 5159
- Location address
Taylors Rd site – 36 Taylors Rd Aberfoyle Pk
Hub Drive site 0 off Hub Drive, behind KFC
- DECD Region
South Valley Precinct
- Geographical location – ie road distance from GPO (km)
22kms
- Telephone number
Taylors Rd – 8270 2595 Hub Drive - 8370 6475
- Fax number
Taylors Rd – 8270 6103 Hub Drive – 8270 6102
- Preschool website address:
www.hubpre.sa.edu.au

- Preschool e-mail address
dl.3601.leaders@schools.sa.edu.au
- Enrolment/Attendance
Steady enrolments of 50 - 60 children at TR with high levels of regular attendance
- Co-located/stand-alone
Both sites are stand alone preschools located either side of Aberfoyle Pk High School
- Programs operating at the preschool
 - ❖ Transition Sessions
3 sessions available in term 4 for children commencing their eligible year in term 1 the following year
 - ❖ Sessional Kindergarten for eligible children
15 hours a week offered at Taylors Rd site
 - ❖ Occasional Care
The equivalent of 8 funded sessions per week (for children independently walking to 5 yrs) at Hub Drive site from Wednesday - Friday
 - ❖ Early Entry
For children with additional needs, 1 session a week is offered in term 3 and 2 sessions a week in term 4 prior to their eligible year depending on availability.
 - ❖ Lunch/Full Day Program
Lunch care is included in the full day program with no additional cost.
 - ❖ Bilingual Support
Available as needed
 - ❖ Preschool Support
Available as needed
 - ❖ Playgroup
Offered at Taylors Rd on Friday mornings from 9.00 – 10.30 and run by a playgroup coordinator

2. Key Centre Policies

- Currently being updated

3. Curriculum

Framework used: Early Years Learning Framework – Belonging, Being, Becoming

The framework has 5 Learning Outcomes which are designed to capture the integrated and complex learning and development of all children across the birth to five age range.

- **Outcome 1:** Children have a strong sense of identity.
- **Outcome 2:** Children are connected with and contribute to their world.
- **Outcome 3:** Children have a strong sense of wellbeing.
- **Outcome 4:** Children are confident and involved learners.
- **Outcome 5:** Children are effective communicators.

4. Core Values

OUR PRINCIPLES

- The rights of the child are paramount
- Children are successful, competent and capable learners
- Equity, inclusion and diversity
- Valuing Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures
- The role of parents and families is respected and supported
- High expectation for children, educators and service providers

CODE OF ETHICS

- South Australian Public Sector
- The following values are the foundation of ethical behaviour in the South Australian Public Sector. The preschool is part of this Sector and we adhere to the same values:
 - democratic values
 - service, respect and courtesy
 - honesty and integrity
 - accountability
 - professional conduct standards

4. Centre Based Staff

- Staff Profile
1 full time Director

Taylors Rd site:
2 - 0.5 teachers
1 - 0.5 ECW
1 - 0.1 Playgroup coordinator

Hub Drive site:
1 - 0.5 Occasional Care coordinator
1 - 0.5 O/C ECW
1 – 0.2 teacher – Early Learners Program
1 – 0.2 ECW – Early Learners Program
Varying hours of preschool support and bi lingual support workers
- Performance Management Program
All staff engage in annual performance management processes
- Access to special support staff
DECD processes of referral for access to Speech Therapists, Psychologists, Social Worker, preschool support workers and bilingual staff. Non-departmental early childhood agencies utilised as necessary to support children with special needs and their families, eg SERU, Community Health Services, C&YH (on site at Taylors Road), etc.

5. Centre Facilities

- Buildings and grounds
Solid brick structure with outdoor verandah at each site; both sites have large outdoor shaded play areas; both buildings are air-conditioned; both have monitored alarm systems; fully fenced grounds; both sites have automatic sprinkler systems. Outdoor facilities are being constantly upgraded.
- Capacity (per session)
Taylors Rd – 38 Hub Drive - 41
- Centre Ownership
DECD
- Access for children and staff with disabilities
Ramps and disabled toilets for adults are provided at both sites.

- Other
Taylors Rd site is located next to the Aberfoyle Pk Community Child Crae Centre and children from this centre access the preschool program at our site daily.

5. Further Comments

General

- We have a highly committed governing council
- Supportive parent group with higher percentage of working parents at both sites
- Close liaisons with our next door Child Care Centre and neighbouring schools
- Our main feeder schools are Aberfoyle Hub R- 7 primary School, Craighburn Primary School, Happy Valley Primary School, Thiele Primary School and Our Savior Lutheran School