PRESCHOOL CONTEXT STATEMENT

Centre number: 4641
Centre name: Magill Kindergarten

1. General information
- Preschool Director Isobel Quick
- Postal address 26 Edward St, Magill SA 5072
- Location address as above
- DECS Region Eastern Adelaide
- Geographical location – ie road distance from GPO (km) 10 km
- Telephone number 83324803
- Fax number 83646876
- Preschool website address: www.magillkgn.sa.edu.au
- Preschool e-mail address Isobel.quick318@schools.sa.edu.au
- Enrolment/Attendance
  | Attendance |
  | 2010 46-63  | 2010 71.7%-86.3% |
  | 2011 65-65  | 2011 75.8%-87.7% |
  | 2012 52-57  | 2012 87.5%-92.3% |
- Co-located/stand-alone stand alone
- Programs operating at the preschool
  - Induction Visits
2. Key Centre Policies

- Centre Philosophy
  Magill Kindergarten Quality Improvement Plan

3. Curriculum

- Framework used:
  Being, Belonging, Becoming (National Early Years Learning Framework)
- Core Values
  Respect, creativity, sustainability, diversity, inclusion, partnerships and our multicultural community.
- Specific curriculum approaches
  Learning through play; celebrating cultural diversity; focus on literacy and numeracy; building social skills and positive dispositions for learning.
  We take an enquiry approach in exploring important subject matter by formulating questions of interest with the children, researching, experimenting, observing and problem solving.
  Keeping Safe Child Protection Curriculum: Early years Band ages 3-5, is implemented at Magill Kindergarten
Joint programmes/special curriculum projects
The centre hosts student teachers from the Magill Campus of UniSA.
The centre is an AUSSI (Australian Sustainable Schools Initiative) site. We have an environmental action plan.

4. Centre Based Staff

- Staff Profile
  Preschool Director PSD 1 Full time
  2 Preschool teachers-0.6 each
  Early Childhood Worker 1.0
  Bilingual Support Workers-Sinhalese, and Chinese, languages currently

- Performance Management Program for all staff
- Access to special support staff where eligible

5. Centre Facilities

- Buildings and grounds
  Magill kindergarten was purpose built in 1972. There is a main indoor learning area, with 2 withdrawal areas. There is a small office and storeroom.

  The verandah is enclosed with clear blinds, and the spacious outdoor learning area includes a vegetable patch, amphitheatre, sand pit, and lawn area. It is shaded by mature trees.

  The kindergarten ajoins a council owned oval. A car park is shared with a neighbouring church.

  At the rear of the building is a native bush garden and frog pond.

- Capacity (per session) 30

- Centre Ownership DECD

- Access for children and staff with disabilities
  No ramps or Disabled toilets currently available.
6. **Local Community** (intended for country preschools)

- **General characteristics:**
  Families from many cultures attend the centre, including Chinese, Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Greek, Italian, and Korean.

- **Parent and community involvement in the preschool**
  There is an active Governing Council, and parent and community involvement is encouraged. Parents participate in formal and informal ways.

- **Schools to which children generally transfer from this preschool**
  Approximately 65% of children transfer to Magill Primary School, with whom the kindergarten has close links.

- **Other local care and educational facilities**
  Child Care is offered locally at the Magill Campus and Community Child Care Centre.

- **Other local facilities**
  Pepper St Art Gallery, Shopping Centre and UniSA Magill Campus

- **Accessibility**
  The kindergarten is serviced by the B10, 10X, B11, and B12 bus services. We are in a “Go Zone”.

- **Local Government**
  Campbelltown

7. **Further Comments**

- **Partnership arrangements with other groups**
  The centre is part of the Morialta Educational Partnership.