

# PRESCHOOL CONTEXT STATEMENT

Updated: 02/2021

Centre number: 3647

Centre name: Madge Sexton Kindergarten

## 1. General information

- Centre name :Madge Sexton Kindergarten
- Centre number :3647
- Preschool Director: Tennille Langeluddecke
- Postal address: 249 Main Road, McLaren Vale, 5171
- Location address: 249 Main Road, McLaren Vale, 5171
- Telephone number: 8323 8684
- Fax number: 8323 9913
- Email address: [dl.3647.leaders@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.3647.leaders@schools.sa.edu.au)
- Department for Education Partnership: Sea and Vines
- Geographical location – ie road distance from GPO (km): 38 Kilometres from GPO
- Physical Capacity: 55 (110)
- Stand-alone operating, co-located with McLaren Vale Primary School
- Programs operating
  - ❖ Sessional Kindergarten for eligible children
    - 2 groups of 2 full days and 1 x 2.5 hour session
    - Group 1: Mon pm/Tuesday all day/ Wednesday all day
    - Group 2: Thursday all day / Friday all day / Mon am
  - ❖ Occasional Care (indicate whether funded or unfunded): N/A
  - ❖ Extended Care: N/A
  - ❖ Lunch/Full Day Program: 2 Full Days with LTC each week, per group.
  - ❖ Bilingual Support: Available through DECD
  - ❖ Preschool Support: Requested from Department for Education as required.

Partnerships 21 status: local management

## 2. Key Centre Policies

Centre Priorities/Statement of Purpose

Learning Dispositions

Literacy / Numeracy

Reggio Emilia Prototype Site

Pedagogical Documentation

## 3. Curriculum

Early Years Learning Framework (BBB)

Respect, Reflect Relate (RRR)

Preschool indicators of Literacy and Numeracy

Specific curriculum approaches

Reggio Emilia influences – voice of child strong in learning programmes, strong sense of belonging, identity & connections

Respect for the child  
Strong Art/Creativity focus – supported by atelieristas (art focus teachers)  
Strong literacy focus - Oral language & pre-reading & pre-writing  
Strong numeracy focus – Big Ideas in Number  
Nature play principles  
The use of Pedagogical Documentation for formative assessment and to ensure child-agency

## **4. Centre Based Staff**

Staff Profile (2021)

1.0 Director  
2.2 Teachers (Comprising 1 full time, 2 part time positions)  
3.2 ECWs (4 Part Time E.C.Ws)  
Preschool Support Worker 1.0

Performance Management Program: Reviewed annually  
Access to special support staff

## **5. Centre Facilities**

Buildings and grounds: co-located on the site of the McLaren Vale Primary School.  
Capacity (per session): 55 children  
Centre Ownership: The premises are owned by Department for Education  
Access for children and staff with disabilities: Indoor and outdoor wheelchair access.  
Wheelchair access through main gate.

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

General characteristics: (eg. types of work available, languages usually spoken at home, local developments): The centre is situated in McLaren Vale in the Onkaparinga Council which is a semi-rural wine growing area. Families using this centre come from a variety of Anglo Saxon and multicultural backgrounds.