



# PRESCHOOL CONTEXT STATEMENT

Updated: 26/7/2024

**Centre number:** 6537

**Centre name:** Naracoorte North Kindergarten

## 1. General information

- Preschool Director
  - Kara Davies (Tuesday-Friday)
  - Natalie Austin (Monday)
- Postal address
  - 39 Park Terrace, Naracoorte SA 5271
- Location address
  - 39 Park Terrace, Naracoorte SA 5271
- DECD Partnership
  - Wrattonbully
- Telephone number
  - 0887621581
- Preschool website address:
  - [Naracoorte North Kindergarten - Department for Education \(naracoortekqn.sa.edu.au\)](http://naracoortekqn.sa.edu.au)
- Preschool e-mail address
  - dl.6537.leaders@schools.sa.edu.au
- Enrolment/Attendance
  - 2023 Term  $\frac{3}{4}$  - 81
  - 2024 Term  $\frac{1}{2}$  - 57
  - 2024 Term  $\frac{3}{4}$  - 44
- Co-located/stand-alone
  - Co-located with the Naracoorte Child Day Care Centre
- Programs operating at the preschool
  - Sessional Kindergarten for eligible children
  - Associated Programs including: pre-entry, early entry, Playgroup
  - Full Day Program
  - Bilingual Support
  - Preschool Support

## 2. Key Centre Policies

Naracoorte North Kindergarten provides world class education for four and five year olds in their eligible year before school.

We believe learning is a life long journey and at Naracoorte North Kindergarten, opportunities are provided for all (educators, children and families) to engage in active, collaborative and innovative learning. Children learn through play, quality interactions and relationships. A stimulating, challenging program is based on current curriculum and research.

We are co-located with the Naracoorte Child Day Care Centre and work closely together, sharing the environment, resources and staff.

## 3. Curriculum

- Framework used: Early Years Learning Framework, Numeracy and Literacy Indicators, Child Protection Curriculum
- Core Values
  - We value being kind, flexible, collaborative, innovative, nurturing and respectful.
- Specific curriculum approaches include Inquiry, Kimochis, Zones of Regulation and nature play

## 4. Centre Based Staff

- Staff Profile  
2024 Staff Profile:  
Directors: Kara and Nat  
Teachers: Kara, Nat, Stella, Zoe  
ECW's: Meg, Karen, Ches
- Support providers are welcomed on site to support children in their learning environment.

## 5. Centre Facilities

- Buildings and grounds  
We have an extensive outdoor learning space with nature play central to our philosophy and values. Children explore natural elements including water

which trickles through our creek into our digging patch and through our rock pools into our sand pit.

The indoor space is a current focus for rejuvenation, with a natural colour palette being utilised and natural flooring to be installed.

- Capacity (per session)  
44
- Access for children and staff with disabilities  
We pride ourselves on our spaces being accessible to all children and families. Our indoor environment is completely accessible, with the majority of our outdoor environment accessible by wheelchair. All new additions are wheelchair accessible, including our new cubby.

## 6. Local Community

- General characteristics:  
Agricultural and farming community primarily. Diverse community with many nationalities now present including Afghan, Phillipino, Maori, Chinese, Fijian.
- Parent and community involvement in the preschool  
Parents are invited to be active participants in their children's learning at Kindergarten. Morning routines provide provocations of supporting to complete rituals as children enter of signing themselves in and finding somewhere to start their learning. Families, including extended families are also invited in during their term for events, such as come and play afternoons and excursions.
- Schools to which children generally transfer from this preschool  
Children enrol in Naracoorte Primary, Naracoorte South Primary, Frances Primary, Sunrise Christian School, Apsley Primary.
- Other local care and educational facilities,  
We are co-located with the Naracoorte Child Day Care Centre which has its own Director and Management Committee.