

Site Context Statement:

Brinkworth Primary and Early Childhood Centre is a small country site where lifelong learning begins, is encouraged and fostered. This site has been highly valued within the community since 1895. At Brinkworth, educators value and develop the whole child and recognise the important link between academic achievement and children's wellbeing. Through fostering both of these elements, we will achieve our goal of developing powerful learners.

Our Values are Respect, Responsibility, Honest, Learning and Kindness. These values were developed by the children through valuable discussions, collaboration and an understanding of their importance in both the school and wider community. Children are encouraged to demonstrate these values in their daily school life.

Our Site Learning and Quality Improvement Plan for 2019 focuses on developing oral language skills for all students and developing understanding of Number. Within all of this, we are ensuring we are monitoring children's wellbeing, improving attendance and creating engaging and inspiring spaces. All educators are committed to this task through developing their knowledge in weekly meetings, professional development, working closely with children and appropriate and specific data collection.

Educators provide children with many opportunities for success by teaching, providing support and assessing against children's individual learning goals. We ensure individual children have the opportunity to expand their knowledge through daily lessons, play-based learning and inquiry.

As stated in our Improvement Plans, we value our families and their engagement in learning. We embrace families as 'partners in learning' and acknowledge the importance of having a strong partnership with them. Through a strong partnership comes a deeper engagement, curiosity and progression of learning.

At Brinkworth there is a wide range of curriculum inquiry and programs including Loose Parts Play, Premiers Reading and BeActive Challenge, Breakfast Program, Woodwork, Pastoral Care, Student Voice, Sporting Schools activities, daily whole-school fitness, Nature Play in the pine forest, environmental activities, SAPSASA involvement, focussed intervention and 3D printing. As a recently amalgamated site, we ensure a strong connection with our kindergarten and encourage whole site learning, cohesive term inquiry units and special days and events. By having inquiry-driven learning, we give our children the opportunity to be involved in both local and Adelaide-based excursion to develop their understanding and interest in learning the extension of topics. Student voice is highly encouraged and children at Primary School are given leadership roles in SRC.

Strong, relevant and positive communication with children, educators, parents and the wider community keeps the direction of learning on course and provides a positive atmosphere where each child feels valued and an important part of our team.

At Brinkworth Primary and Early Childhood Centre, we value each child involved in the learning journey and support the wellbeing of everyone involved through collaboration, conversation, communication and care. Together, we will ensure we are "Growing Together."