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1. General information

- Preschool Director until July 2012
  Jacqui Schulz

- Postal address
  : 5 Gilbert St, RIVERTON SA 5413

- Location address
  : as above

- DECS Region
  : Yorke and Mid North

- Geographical location – ie road distance from GPO (km)
  : 100km North of Adelaide

- Telephone number
  : 08 88 472 109

- Fax number
  : 08 88 472 065

- Preschool website address:
  : www.rivertonkgn.sa.edu.au

- Preschool e-mail address
  : kindy.director@rivertonkgn.sa.edu.au
• **Enrolment/Attendance**

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Riverton enrolment and attendance

• **Co-located/stand-alone**
  - Stand alone kindergarten

• **Programs operating at the preschool**
  - Pre Entry
    - Wednesday 9.30 tp 11.30am.

  - Sessional Kindergarten for eligible children
    - Monday and Wednesday 9am to 3pm
    - Alternate Tuesdays 9am to 3pm

  - Occasional Care
    - Unfunded
    - By Arrangement with the director as number permit.

  - Extended Care
    - Not offered at the site

  - Lunch/Full Day Program
    - Lunch time care is provided by teaching staff.

  - Bilingual Support
    - This support is available for children who meet the criteria.

  - Preschool Support
    - This support is available for children who meet the criteria.
2. **Key Centre Policies**

- **Centre Priorities/Statement of Purpose**
  
  : The centre has a Quality Improvement Plan which addresses the following
  
  * Literacy
  * Numeracy

3. **Curriculum**

- **Framework used:**
  
  : The National Early Years Learning Framework

- **Core Values**
  
  : Participation, engagement, innovation, learning through play

- **Specific curriculum approaches**
  
  : Riverton Kindergarten is committed to the Philosophy of Learning though Play. We believe it is an age appropriate approach and is inclusive of constructivism and learning dispositions.

- **Joint programmes/special curriculum projects**
  
  : Strong links with local primary schools ensure a positive transition process is in place. We visit Riverton Primary School and their Reception class returns the visit.

4. **Centre Based Staff**

- **Staff Profile**
  
  : Director 0.6 and Early Childhood Worker 0.6

- **Performance Management Program**
  
  : The DECD Performance Management Policy is the basis for this program.

- **Access to special support staff**
  
  : Referrals can be made for specialists including speech pathology, behaviour support, hearing impairment support and special educators. Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists,
diatcians, are among those available through Lower North Health Service.

- Other

5. Centre Facilities

- Buildings and grounds
  - Large main brick building with kitchen, bathroom, office, withdrawal and store room. Large Colorbond storage shed and small garden shed. Large shady lawned area with two sand pits, mound, vegetable patch and crop garden
- Capacity (per session)
  - 25 children
- Centre Ownership
  - DECD. Clare and Gilbert Council own easement on western side of property. It is used with permission.
- Access for children and staff with disabilities
  - No disabled toilet on site. Main doors are wide with single, low step.
- Other
  - Some redevelopment of the outdoor play areas is planned.

6. Local Community (intended for country preschools)

- General characteristics:
  - Riverton is a well serviced town in a mixed farming district. The majority of families are farmers, local business owners or employed in these industries. New businesses which have recently commenced near Riverton include chicken farms and wineries. The community is largely anglo, English speaking.
- Parent and community involvement in the preschool
  - Riverton Kindergarten is well supported by the parents. Working bees are productive and positions on the Governing Council are always filled.
• Schools to which children generally transfer from this preschool
  : Riverton Primary School and Tarlee Primary School

• Other local care and educational facilities,
  Riverton & District High School and Riverton Primary School. Currently there are no Family Day Care Providers in Riverton.

• The town has banks, hospital, police, library post office, supermarket, accounting, hairdressing, hardware, chemist, stock and real estate agent, news agency services.

• Commercial/industrial and shopping facilities
  :Recreational opportunities include the following clubs, swimming, tennis, netball, football, basketball, table tennis, cricket, golf, pony club. Bush walking and cycling along the Heysen and Reisling trails are popular. CWA, Lions, Art & Craft groups are active. There are four denominations of churches in the town. Riverton Memorial Hospital and local doctor are located on the same site with C&YH, and dentist visiting regularly.

• Other local facilities

• Availability of staff housing
  :Sub divisions within the town have increased the availability of building blocks. Rental properties and sales are regularly advertised. There is no Government Housing available.

• Accessibility
  :A bus to and from Adelaide runs daily.

• Local Government
  :Clare and Gilbert Valley’s Council have a part time office in Riverton.

7. Further Comments

• Partnership arrangements with other groups
  [Include any relevant cluster or shared arrangements, activities and operations, or relevant partnerships with local business/industry.]

• [Include any other key features not explained previously which would make the preschool and community professionally rewarding to prospective staff or include any significant history of the preschool and/or community.]