Gowrie South Australia

Our new logo and brand identity express the welcoming and holistic principles of our education programs, aided by the use of natural light, colours and textures in our learning spaces.

Phone 1800 129 606 gowriesa.org.au Since 1940, Gowrie SA has committed to fostering a community of learners and creating partnerships. Our work supports a positive sense of wellbeing among everyone in our community. We believe that learning is lifelong, and enriched by an inclusive community that shares an enthusiasm for education.

Our priority is to build relationships with families, children, early childhood professionals, clients and community members who access any of our education and care programs. We work together to create safe and active learning environments for children that are accepting, respectful and supportive of learning at all levels and by all members.

Our fresh identity embodies our dedication to delivering inclusive programs for children, families and early childhood professionals, inspired by natural resources, modern research

and evidence-based thinking.

The information that follows outlines each of our programs. The featured icons are inspired by the original artwork created for Gowrie SA by artist Karen Briggs (Yorta Yorta).



Children'sPrograms

Your child's social, emotional and intellectual development is supported at Gowrie SA from infancy through toddlerhood, then into kindergarten. Our integrated early childhood programs concentrate on meeting the diverse needs of all children. The focus of our learning is on inclusive, play-based individual and group experiences that take advantage of our expansive natural outdoor spaces. Essential to our program is building a secure relationship between your child and the educators who are facilitating the unique discoveries that your child

will make. We celebrate the individual interests and knowledge of your child, and seek to develop meaningful learning opportunities that will last far beyond the significant early years of your child's life.

Contact us, or visit our website to see the videos that showcase our infant and toddler programs (birth to three years) and kindergarten programs (three to five years).



The Professional Learning programs for education and early and middle childhood services offered by Gowrie SA grow from current research and practice, and aim to support services to deliver quality outcomes for children and families. Educators in long day care, family day care, kindergarten/preschool, early years of school, out of school hours care, in-home care, occasional care, Aboriginal services, and professionals working in health, wellbeing and community services are invited to enrol in our courses.

Our programs include Child Safe Environments training, Responding to Abuse and Neglect training, bicultural mentoring, video mentoring, leadership mentoring, supporting early childhood teachers to reach full teachers' registration, and a range of professional learning consultancy services.

Program participants can attend Gowrie SA to further their professional development, choosing from an online calendar of events. If you prefer, we can visit your service to provide customised learning for individuals, small groups or whole staff teams.

Visit www.gowriesa.org.au to view our learning calendar and register for training. Call us on 8234 5219 or email train@gowriesa.org.au if you would like us to come to you.



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A variety of programs for families are offered at Gowrie SA's Thebarton and Whyalla premises and in nearby children's and neighbourhood centres.

Our programs include weekly short sessions that assist adults to build attachment relationships with their children. Staff at Gowrie SA work to explain attachment theory in an accessible way for families.

Depending on available funding, Gowrie SA also offers other family programs which include one-off sessions or extended programs.

Contact Gowrie SA or visit our website to learn more about our family programs

Parenting Programs



Inclusion Agency



Gowrie SA is the Inclusion Agency for South Australia delivering the Inclusion Support Program established by the Australian Government in 2016 as an important part of the Child Care Safety Net. Our mission as the Inclusion Agency is to support educators working in eligible early learning and child care (ELCC) services to offer inclusive practices for children with a range of abilities, needs and backgrounds, and improve their experience in mainstream services. Gowrie SA Inclusion Professionals are part of a multi-disciplinary team located in metropolitan and regional areas. Our Inclusion Professionals offer ELCC services free tailored, practical advice and support. When a need is identified, assistance is given to access a specialist equipment library, and to source funding for an additional educator to further support learning opportunities.

For more information contact our Inclusion Agency by email inclusion@gowriesa.org.au or call 1800 129 606.