



# SMILE

*Small Multi-age Inspirational Learning Environment*



## YARRANLEA LIMITED

ABN 95 166 529 782

**School Annual Report**  
**(based on 2022 data)**

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Yarranlea Primary School is an independent school situated within Griffith University's Mount Gravatt Campus in Brisbane, Australia.

## Philosophy

Yarranlea is a small, student-focused school operating in a conventional classroom setting that tailors the Australian National Curriculum to enable personalised learning. Teachers facilitate excellent educational outcomes relative to the unique skills and abilities of each student. It is an independent organisation that values a learning partnership between students, their families and teachers. This represents the basis of our community, where we constructively work with each other to enable our students to believe in themselves and to achieve their potential.

## Vision

Success with a SMILE (Small, Multi-age, Inspirational, Learning Environment).

## Values

Positivity, Integrity, Respect and Responsibility (PIRR) are the "critical few" principles that should always guide our behaviour at Yarranlea. Our 'CARES' framework (Courteous and Considerate, Appreciative, Responsible, Excellence and Shares) is used to create a positive environment which encourages responsible behaviour both within the school environment and within our wider community, ensuring that we remain true to our core values as we strive to equip our students with the skills for the future.

## Distinctive Curriculum Offerings

Yarranlea is a small, student-focused, independent school, operating in a conventional classroom setting, located on a university campus. Yarranlea Primary School's teaching is delivered in a unique multi-age setting by highly experienced teachers, with a favourable student/teacher ratio of 10.6 that is difficult to find at other schools. Our committed teachers and generous teaching ratios allow for a personalised approach which provides the scaffolding that surrounds the implementation of the Australian National Curriculum, harnessing the potential of each child. Yarranlea values a learning partnership between students, their families and teachers and we work constructively with each other to enable our students to believe in themselves and to achieve their potential.

Independent

## Year Levels Offered:

Prep - 6

## Co-educational or Single Sex: \*

Co-educational

## Characteristics of the Student Body:

Yarranlea Primary School is co-educational, with approximately the same number of boys and girls. The make-up of our student body is reflective of the diverse cultural backgrounds found in Australia. Within our student body we have students with an Australian, European, Asian and Anglo cultural background.

## Total Enrolments:

Yarranlea Primary School has experienced growth in student enrolments with 48 students at the end of 2022 compared to 33 students for 2020 due to the provision of a new school building in 2021.

## Workforce Information

### Staff Composition, Including Indigenous Staff:

One part-time teaching Principal  
One part time classroom and Japanese teacher  
One part time classroom and music teacher  
Two full-time teachers  
Two part-time classroom teachers  
1 part time administration (1 indigenous) non-teaching staff  
1 full time OSHC and administration support non-teaching staff  
2 part time finance staff non-teaching staff  
1 part-time teacher aide

### Qualifications of all Teachers:

Qualification	Detail the number and/or the percentage of classroom teachers and school leaders at the school who hold this qualification
Doctorate or higher	0
Masters	2
Bachelor	5
Diploma	0
Certificate	0

## Funding Information

### School Income Broken Down by Funding Source

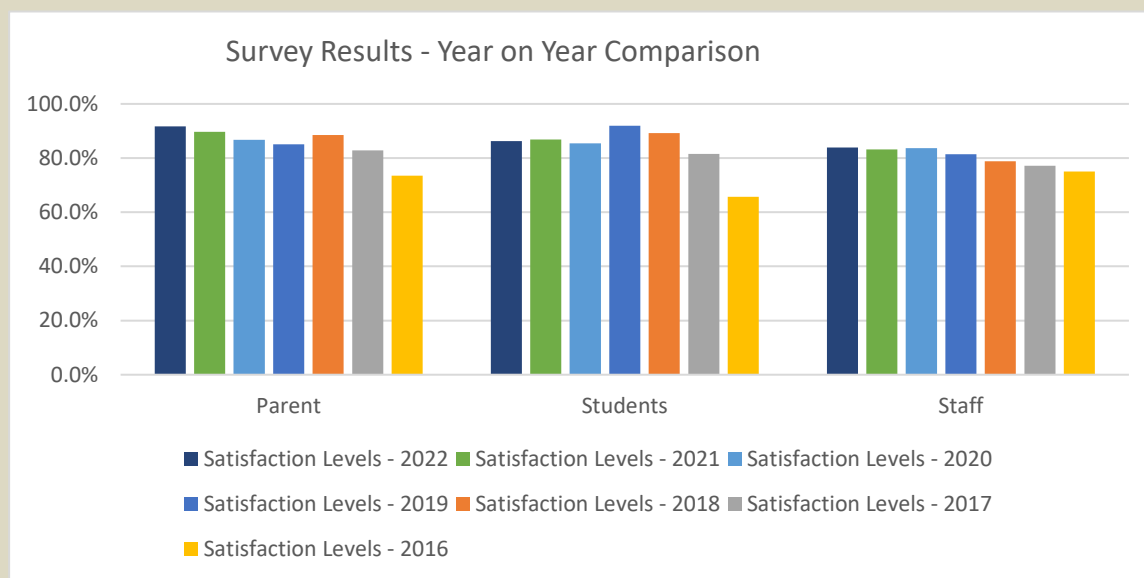
Please refer to the My School website <http://www.myschool.edu.au/> for financial data. Alternatively, the Audited Financial Report for Yarranlea Limited for 2022 is available on the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission website <http://www.acnc.gov.au/>

## Social Climate

### Parent, Teacher and Student Satisfaction with the School

Multi-age education develops self-esteem and fosters positive attitudes towards schooling by developing students' social, emotional and communication skills. A multi-age setting significantly reduces instances of bullying. The school has a supportive community and family atmosphere. Parent information sessions are held on current issues within the school. Policies and procedures are in place to ensure all at the school are committed to responsible behaviour and child protection. Staff retention is generally very high with most staff from 2022- all employed in the 2023 year.

Yarranlea Primary School conducted its eighth annual survey in 2022. The Yarranlea Limited Board engaged educator and experienced consultant, Steve Francis, to independently survey three important groups in our community. The results indicated high satisfaction levels within all sections of the school community and improvement or similar to 2021 data.



### Parental Involvement

Parents, extended family and friends are actively involved in the life of the school with social and community events, sporting carnivals and fundraising. This is coordinated by the Principal through the P&F.

Some parents, grandparents and friends of the school offer their services as volunteers to assist reading and other school related activities. The School Board is comprised of members of the wider community and past parents from the school.

### Extra-curricular Activities

Students attend swimming lessons at Griffith University's pool as well as participating in other sporting activities such as AFL and soccer which are held on GU sporting grounds, adjacent to the school premises. In 2023 students will also be participating in inter-school sport (mixed soccer teams). Other extra-curricular activities include debating and participating in events such as Opti-MINDS.

Yarranlea continues to build its music program by providing students with musical instruments and two weekly in-class music lessons. All students sing in a choir and play musical instruments to an audience on a regular basis and all students participate in a musical at the end-of-year community event since students feel more

strongly about music when they actively participate in a performance-centered music program, focused on performance by individuals, a choir and instrumental ensembles.

## Student Outcomes

### Average student attendance rate (%) for the whole school: \*1

Total number of students	Number of possible attendance days	Total number of days absent	Total attendance days
51	9,541	969	8,572

The average student attendance rate for the whole school in 2022 was 89.84% which was due to the ongoing pandemic and resulting sick days required.

### Average student attendance rate for each year level: \*2

Total number of students in year level	Number of possible attendance days for year level	Total number of days absent for year level	Total attendance days for year level
Prep	1,735	147	1,588
Year 1	1,499	171	1,328
Year 2	1,197	145	1,052
Year 3	1,737	126	1,611
Year 4	1,059	80	979
Year 5	1,735	235	1,500
Year 6	579	65	514

Year levels	Average attendance rate for each year level as a percentage in 2022
Prep	91.53%
Year 1	88.59%
Year 2	87.89%
Year 3	92.75%

<sup>1</sup> Australian Education Regulation 2013 s60 (1)(d)(i)

<sup>2</sup> Australian Education Regulation 2013 s60 (1)(d)(i)

Year 4	92.45%
Year 5	86.46%
Year 6	88.77%

**A description of how non-attendance is managed by the school: \*<sup>3</sup>**

Non-attendance at school is managed case by case. As we are a small school we are able to contact the caregivers/parents directly by 9.15am each morning to determine the reason for the student's absence if we have not been notified by this time. Parents/caregivers are to notify the school by calling, texting or emailing prior to commencement of the school day. If a child's absence is ongoing the Principal supports the family to determine if learning from home is a possibility during the period of absence.

**NAPLAN results for Years 3, 5 and 7 and 9 in 2021 \*<sup>4</sup>**

Please review the following website for information on Yarranlea Primary School: My School website <http://www.myschool.edu.au/>

**Yarranlea's Objectives for 2023 and beyond**

The Board's 2023 objectives are as follows:

- To focus on sustainability, educational excellence, expanding horizons and facilities taking into account the Griffith University move off the site in 2026
- Consolidate activities with respect to the 3 multi-age groups-class model commenced in 2021 to maintain Yarranlea Primary School as a leading provider of multi-age education
- Promote Outside School Hours and Vacation Care as a full service 5 days a week and 50 weeks a year
- Improve the physical appearance of the school, OSHC and grounds
- Be an employer of choice
- Enhance our Social Media presence and
- Continue to consider new education models and viable propositions, for the school's future on the Mount Gravatt site and to lift our profile with appropriate stakeholders.

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<sup>3</sup> Australian Education Regulation 2013 s60 (1)(d)(ii)

<sup>4</sup> Australian Education Regulation 2013 s60 (1)(e)