

## Standing Committee on Education and Community Inclusion

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2020-2021
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
25 February 2022

Asked by Mr Davis on 25 February 2022 Mr Matthews took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

In terms of workshopping how to ensure that the preschool service at Tharwa remains viable, is there any relationship between the Tharwa Preschool and the Gordon Primary School?

Ms Berry MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

Tharwa Preschool is operated by and has a strong relationship with Charles Conder Primary School. This includes opportunities for students at Tharwa Preschool to participate in learning opportunities as part of Charles Conder School. This connection supports the viability of Tharwa Preschool where there are low enrolments at that site.

Charles Conder Primary School and Gordon Primary School have separate, distinct Priority Enrolment Areas (PEA). The township of Tharwa is part of the PEA for Charles Conder Primary School. Tharwa Preschool students are guaranteed a Kindergarten place at their PEA school. All ACT residents are guaranteed a place at their PEA school.

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By the Minister for Education and Youth Affairs, Ms Yvette Berry