

WHITCHURCH PRE-SCHOOL

England & Wales - Charity number 1020798

Details

Other names WHITCHURCH PLAYGROUP

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2014-09-01

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Activities

Objects: The aims of the Pre-school are to enhance the development and education of children primarily under statutory school age by encouraging parents to understand and provide for the needs of their children through community groups and by:(a) offering appropriate play, education and care facilities, family learning and extended hours groups, together with the right of parents to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of such groups, ensuring that such groups offer opportunities for all children whatever their race, culture, religion, means or ability;(b) encouraging the study of the needs of such children and their families and promoting public interest in and recognition of such needs in the local areas;(c) Instigating and adhering to and furthering the aims and objects of the Pre-school Learning Alliance.

Activities: We are a parent led, non-profit making, community group providing high quality care and education for children under statutory school age by delivering the Early Years Foundation Stage as laid down by the Department for Education.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED IN PRACTICE THE CATCHMENT AREA OF THE PLAYGROUP
- Devon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£77,885	£84,232	-	-
2024-08-31	£94,889	£89,366	-	-
2023-08-31	£75,179	£93,761	-	-
2022-08-31	£57,684	£64,571	-	-
2021-08-31	£79,650	£60,046	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Samantha Kathleen Hilton	Chair	2024-11-27
Charlotte Ralph		2023-11-09
Claire Smith		2023-11-09
Julian Ridler		2023-11-09
Kirstie Sarah Rhianne Bridgewater		2025-11-11
Olena Kulakovska		2024-11-27

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CHAIR'S REPORT: AGM 2025

Whitchurch Preschool holds a special and integral place in the local community. Preschool staff work diligently and collaboratively to implement positive, nurturing and creative learning opportunities for the young children in their care. As the Leaders Report demonstrates, play based learning strategies comprehensively cover social, emotional, physical and early intellectual education. Preschool staff consistently cultivate and support a stimulating and safe learning environment with high-quality interactions between Preschool staff and children.

We extend our unreserved thanks to all the Preschool staff for their continued care and commitment to providing an outstanding early years educational experience.

Thank you also to all the Committee members who have generously volunteered their time to ensure the Preschool can continue to operate and thrive.

Our daughter has recently transitioned to Primary School and we were particularly impressed by the Preschool's efforts to facilitate a smooth transition. This included timely communication with our daughter's new School and an exceptionally comprehensive Transition Report containing invaluable information for her teachers. Our daughter has very fond memories of Preschool and frequently references her time there. She is particularly excited that her younger brother will one day join Preschool, giving her opportunity to impart her knowledge and help him settle!

May I conclude by reiterating our thanks to all Preschool staff for their continued and steadfast endeavours and by encouraging all those able to consider joining the Committee. Everyone is welcome and valued; a diverse and strong Committee provides a solid foundation for supporting both Preschool staff and young learners.

PROFIT AND LOSS AND BALANCE SHEET FOR WHITCHURCH PRE-SCHOOL

1ST SEPTEMBER 2024 TO 31ST AUGUST 2025

<u>Profit and loss report</u>			
INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
Funding	£ 66,693.94	Salaries	£ 74,967.89
Fees	£ 7,186.28	Training	£ 237.00
Registration fees	£ 59.00	Insurance	£ 1,651.96
Donations	£ 100.00	Membership Fee	£ 138.00
Grants	£ 3,275.00	Building & Maintenance	£ 194.00
Interest	£ 228.30	Equipment	£ 2,230.13
Uniform	£ 82.35	Uniform	£ -
Milk	£ 103.00	Milk	£ 98.30
Fundraising	£ 156.81	Fundraising	£ -
Sundry	£ -	Council Tax	£ 648.58
		Utilities	£ 988.24
		Phone	£ 150.91
		Consumables	£ 541.53
		General	£ 1,774.11
		Website	£ 51.00
		Cleaning	£ 559.96
Total	£ 77,884.68	Total	£ 84,231.61
Profit/(Loss)			-£ 6,346.93

<u>Balance sheet</u>		
Current Assets b/f		£ 85,334.09
Profit/(loss) for year		-£ 6,346.93
Current Assets c/f		£ 78,987.16
BANK AT 31ST AUGUST 2025		
Account	Current	£ 60,739.98
	Fundraising	£ 2,786.34
	Savings	£ 15,460.84
Total cash balance		£ 78,987.16

Independent examiner's report on the accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
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It is my responsibility to:

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Signed:

Nicola Hooper

Date:

Name: NICOLA HOOPER

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): FMAAT

Address: 21 CHERRY TREE CLOSE
EXETER
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2024 AGM 11/11/2024

Chair's Report

We would like to start by thanking all the staff at Whitchurch Preschool, who not only work tirelessly for all the children in their care, but do so in a wonderfully committed, creative and positive way. Judith; Lisa; Donna; Sue and Karen have been outstanding, and their efforts were deservedly recognised as such when Preschool was accredited with an 'Outstanding' Ofsted rating at the beginning of the school year.

We would also like to thank all members of the Preschool Committee who worked extremely hard and thoughtfully to contribute to the effective management of Whitchurch Preschool.

The Committee and staff undertook various fundraising activities and successfully applied for grants, which raised some substantial and very much appreciated sums. We would like to thank everyone who contributed to these, both from an administrative and financial perspective.

The monies raised were applied to further improve the Preschool, specifically the much-needed renovation to the children's bathroom facilities. The renovation works, whilst a substantial investment, have already proven a strong asset and benefited both the children and staff alike. The Committee also voted to use Preschool funds to replace and upgrade the front door; the old door having been problematic for quite some considerable time.

We would like to personally thank all the Preschool staff for their invaluable contribution to our daughter's development. Not only have we witnessed her grow in every way, but she eagerly looks forward to attending Preschool.

May we also take this opportunity to actively encourage anyone who can to join the Committee. A strong, varied Committee builds a solid foundation for effective management and supports the Preschool staff in the wonderful work they do. Any help, support or suggestions people can offer is always greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

PROFIT AND LOSS AND BALANCE SHEET FOR WHITCHURCH PRE-SCHOOL

1ST SEPTEMBER 2023 TO 31ST AUGUST 2024

<u>Profit and loss report</u>			
INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
Funding	£ 76,127.34	Salaries	£ 70,895.75
Fees	£ 15,165.25	Building & Maintenance	£ 11,682.32
Uniform	£ 88.55	Uniform	£ -
Registration fees	£ 180.00	Consumables	£ 212.80
Donations/Grants	£ 2,000.00	General	£ 1,954.44
Milk	£ 118.60	Phone	£ 119.30
Interest	£ 210.23	Cleaning	£ 598.25
Sundry	£ 100.00	Insurance	£ 1,721.72
Fundraising	£ 898.63	Membership Fee	£ 130.00
		Utilities	£ 1,183.27
		Website	£ 51.00
		Council Tax	£ 567.87
		Training	£ 27.50
		Fundraising	£ 222.15
Total	£ 94,888.60	Total	£ 89,366.37
Profit/(Loss)			£ 5,522.23

<u>Balance sheet</u>		
Current Assets b/f		£ 79,811.86
Profit/(loss) for year		£ 5,522.23
Current Assets c/f		£ 85,334.09
BANK AT 31ST AUGUST 2024		
Account	Current	£ 69,284.73
	Fundraising	£ 816.82
	Savings	£ 15,232.54
Total cash balance		£ 85,334.09

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Signed:

Nicola Hooper

Date:

8th October 2024

Name:

NICOLA HOOPER

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

FMAAT

Address:

21 CHERRY TREE CLOSE

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Whitchurch Preschool AGM 9th November 2023

Chairperson Report:

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone's donations, and support for the fundraising we have done over the year, with a special mention to Zoe for her multiple very kind donations to the preschool which are truly appreciated. So much work has been done to the preschool building over the year and has really made it look really great, and hopefully this will put the building in good stead to last for many years into the future. We have said goodbye to Linda this year, and I would like to welcome Karen to the team. As a committee we tried different fundraising activities across the year which still manage to raise funds but feel this has been impacted by the cost of living crisis. I would like to say a personal thanks to the preschool for all the wonderful activities and guidance you have provided both my children now they are continuing on their learning journey at school and I will very much miss you all!

Becky Peers

PROFIT AND LOSS AND BALANCE SHEET FOR WHITCHURCH PRE-SCHOOL

<u>Profit and loss report</u>			
INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
Fees	£ 13,134.50	Salaries	£ 64,956.56
Funding	£ 60,637.60	Building	£ 19,963.29
Uniform	£ 25.00	Milk	
Add hours	£ -	Uniform	£ 198.00
Donations	£ 135.00	Consumables	£ 381.97
Milk	£ 149.27	General	£ 2,117.64
Interest	£ 110.79	Office Costs	£ -
Other	£ -	phone	£ 134.84
Covid Grant	£ -	Cleaning	£ 920.85
Fundraising	£ 986.75	Petty Cash	£ -
		Insurance	£ 1,515.45
		Utilities	£ 2,713.19
		Web	£ 33.56
		Rent	£ 537.89
		Training	£ 288.00
Total	£ 75,178.91	Total	£ 93,761.24
Profit/Loss			-£ 18,582.33

1st SEPTEMBER 2022 TO 31ST AUGUST 2023

<u>Balance sheet</u>			
ACCOUNTS	Opening cash position		98,394.19
	Profit/loss	-£	18,582.33
	Closing cash position	£	79,811.86
	BANK		
	ACCOUNT	CURRENT	£ 64,074.05
		FUNDRAIS	£ 715.50
		SAVINGS	£ 15,022.31
	TOTAL		£ 79,811.86
NOTE			
	£ -	THE TWO GREEN NUMBERS SHOULD BE THE SAME	
	Liability £831.61 written off		

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Signed:

Nicola Hooper

Date:

25th September
2023

Name:

NICOLA HOOPER

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	MAAT
Address:	21 CHERRY TREE CLOSE
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Signed:

Nicola Hooper

Date:

24th September
2022

Name:

NICOLA HOOPER

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<u>Profit and loss report</u>			
INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
Fees	£ 12,431.50	Salaries	£ 57,161.94
Funding	£ 43,794.24	Building	£ -
Uniform	£ 93.00	Milk	
Add hours	£ -	Uniform	£ 139.66
Donations	£ 1,003.97	Consumables	£ 1,391.54
Milk	£ 88.43	General	£ 2,074.34
Interest	£ 24.31	Office Costs	£ -
Other	£ -	phone	£ 85.80
Covid Grant	£ -	Cleaning	£ 349.54
Fundraising	£ 248.60	Petty Cash	£ -
		Insurance	£ 868.85
		Utilities	£ 649.75
		Web	£ 98.29
		Rent	£ 1,400.99
		Training	£ 350.00
Total	£ 57,684.05	Total	£ 64,570.70
Profit/Loss			£ -6,886.65

1ST SEPTEMBER 2021 to 31ST AUGUST 2022

<u>Balance sheet</u>		
ACCOUNTS	Opening cash position	105,280.84
	Profit/loss	-£ 6,886.65
	Closing cash position	£ 98,394.19
	BANK	
	ACCOUNT	CURRENT £ 88,701.81
		FUNDRAISI £ 2,280.86
		SAVINGS £ 7,411.52
	TOTAL	£ 98,394.19
NOTE	£ -	THE TWO GREEN NUMBERS SHOULD BE THE SAME

Chairperson Report Whitchurch Preschool AGM October 19th 2022

With the presence of covid-19 still hanging in the midst over the past 12 months, it has inhibited our ability to perhaps carry out all the activities we would have perhaps hoped to as a committee, however we have been able to run the raffle earlier in the summer which has raised money towards play equipment for which the children have benefitted.

The introduction of a Whatsapp group amongst parents has allowed new friendships to be formed and social gatherings outside of the preschool which has been a great addition!

There have been a few staffing changes this year – we have said our thanks and goodbye to Keri and Katy, and have welcomed Sue and Donna to the team with Judith and Lisa. I think I can speak for everyone when I say thank you for the continued amazing job you do for all the preschool children – it's clear that the children really enjoy attending when they arrive with smiles on their faces rushing to go in and that's all down to the great atmosphere you create.

It's been a great opportunity to have been able to be the Chairperson for the preschool – it's well recognised amongst the community as a great place to send children prior to their school journey, for which both my children have/are benefitting, and lovely to be able to be a part of it.

I would really encourage anyone interested in joining the committee to do so – it really isn't time consuming and any contribution you are able to provide is really valuable.

Rebecca Peers

WHITCHURCH PRE-SCHOOL

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Chairperson's Report 4th November 2021

This year has yet again been quite restricted due to the Covid-19 pandemic, but the staff have done a fantastic job in keeping things running and also in supporting the children to adapt to the new routines within the preschool.

There have been some staffing changes this year, but Judith, Lisa and Katy have kept things going to the usual high standard and Keri has now joined the team. I'd just like to say a big thank you to them all, and I'm sure my fellow parents would agree.

Fundraising has also been restricted again, but the preschool was able to sell cards and tea towels and bags that the children designed.

Some of the committee parents also developed a promotional video for the preschool, featuring the setting and some of the children.

Standing as a chairperson this has been a lovely opportunity to contribute something to a brilliant charitable organization that helped my daughter and now my son throughout their different stages of learning and development.

It would be most appreciated if anyone can spare the time to take a place on the committee and support the preschool to continue thriving.

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