

**Tommy Thumbs Pre-School
Trustees' Annual Report
and Accounts
Year ended 31st March 2023**
Charity number 1022430

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Trustees' Report

Reference and Administration details

Charity name Tommy Thumbs Pre-School
(Not known by any other name)

Charity Number 1022430

Principal Address Cledford Primary School
George VI Avenue
Middlewich
CW10 0DD

Names of Trustees who manage the Charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Date of appointment/resignation if not for full year	Name of body entitled to appoint trustee
Julie Cooper	Chair	Appointed January 2017	Trustees or members
Rebecca Bugg	Secretary	Appointed January 2021	Trustees or members
Amanda Taylor-Hall	Treasurer	Appointed March 2019	Trustees or members

Advisors

Bankers National Westminster Bank
The Bullring
Northwich
Cheshire. CW9 5BN

Structure, Governance and Management

The Charity's governing document is the Pre-School Learning Alliance Model Pre-School Constitution 2011. This was adopted by Tommy Thumbs in April 2009, reviewed in April 2016 and most recently in January 2019. The Charity is constituted by Trust Deed. Trustees are selected by election from the current membership or appointed by the current trustees.

Objectives and Activities

The objective of the Pre-school is to provide a safe, happy and nurturing environment for all pre-school children and their families, free from discrimination and prejudice. Children of school age are supported within our wraparound care provision before and after school and throughout the school holidays.

Public Benefit Accounting

In setting our objectives and planning our activities the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. As a charity, the parents of our children have the assurance that all our income must be applied for the benefit of the children attending our setting.

Achievements and Performance

Tommy Thumbs continues to operate from two rooms and can accommodate up to 60 children at any one time across the setting. In the Nursery room (3-4yrs) we offer 3hrs per morning session and 3hrs per afternoon session including a lunch session, five days a week, for 38 weeks per annum. In total 10 sessions per week are run. In the Little Learners room (2-3yrs) we offer a 3hr morning session including a lunch session and a 3hr afternoon session, currently five days a week, for 38 weeks per annum. In total 10 sessions per week are run. To support our families further we now operate a flexible start and finish time of 8.30am & 3.30pm

As at 31 March 2023, the total number of children on the register was 36 in the Nursery room and 38 in the Toddler room.

We continue to offer the Universal Funding offer for all three & four year olds of 15 hours per week, the extended the 30 hours per week funding for eligible 3 and 4 year olds and the two year old funding for eligible children.

Financial review

Policy on reserves

Reserves at 31 March 2023 were £90,400. The trustees have worked hard this year to increase the level of reserve. Examples of costs, which would require paying in this situation would be rent and staff redundancies. In addition, reserves are held to cover fluctuations in receipts and payments during the financial year. It should also be noted that there are no restricted or endowment funds held.

Annual surplus

The annual deficit for the year to 31 March 2023 for the Pre-School was £5,119.

Current year financial results

This year, Tommy Thumbs has invested a significant sum in the enhancement of the environment, including decorating several rooms, adding new security locks to external gates & beginning to develop our outdoor garden areas.

Fundraising during the year to 31 March 2023 was lower than previous year (£57 net). We held back on some of our own fundraising to support other local & national charities, for example we held a Bunny Hop to support our local Hospice & enjoyed National Jumper Day for Save The Children.

Future years

Tommy Thumbs at Cledford is now coming to the end of its eleventh year of operation on the site of Cledford Primary School. Jointly, we are formulating a ten year aspiration to enhance the provision and performance of both our Pre-School and Fun Club operations.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Julie Cooper
Chair

Date

Amanda Taylor-Hall
Treasurer

Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Pre-School

I report on the accounts of the Pre-School for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 9 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 43(2) of the charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiners statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name:

Signed:

Relevant professional qualification or body:

Address:

Date:

Receipts and Payments Account for General Funds

	Current year to 31 March 2023	Prior year to 31 March 2022
	£	£
Receipts		
Fees from parents	82,126	63,188
Fees from voucher agency	203,714	192,362
Total fees	285,840	255,550
 Fundraising (<i>see note 1</i>)	545	955
Donations	0	250
Uniforms	347	71
Other receipts	922	6,542
Support Funding	0	0
Bank Interest to Reserve Account	396	9
Total Receipts	288,050	263,377

Receipts and Payments Account for General Funds

	Current year to 31 March 2018	Prior year to 31 March 2022
	£	£
Payments		
Fundraising costs (<i>see note 1</i>)	488	540
Catering	6,365	4,969
Premises	15,000	15,000
Building work and maintenance	1,633	180
Other	2,150	317
Consumables	3,133	2,415
Equipment	1,928	1,807
Meeting Costs	7	0
Administration/ office	11,660	17,271
Payroll	250,805	222,897
Total payments	293,169	265,396
 Net (deficit)/surplus for the year	 (5,119)	 (2,019)

Statement of assets and liabilities

	At 31 March 2023	At 31 March 2022
	£	£
Cash Funds		
Credit Card payment in advance	0	0
Current Bank account	95,802	101,316
Reserve Bank account	90,400	90,004
Petty cash balance	100	100
Total cash funds	186,302	191,320
(As per receipts and payments account on prior page)		
 Other monetary assets		
 Outstanding fees from parents	 0	 0
 Liabilities		
Invoices not yet paid	0	0
Outstanding rent	0	0
	0	0

Signed as approved on behalf of the trustees

Julie Cooper
Chair

Date

Notes to the accounts

1 Fundraising receipts and payments

	Current year to 31 March 2023	Previous year to 31 March 2022
	£	£
Receipts		
Unrestricted fundraising	545	955
Restricted fundraising income	0	0
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Total receipts	545	955
Payments		
Unrestricted Fundraising Activities	488	540
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Total payments	488	540
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Net fundraising surplus for the year	57	415
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