

WEST KINGSDOWN PRESCHOOL TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 2022

Section 1 Legal and Administrative Information

West Kingsdown Preschool

School Lane

West Kingsdown

Kent TN15 6DY

Charity No. 1029575

Current Trustees

Mrs Susan Brown	Chairperson
Sophie Brixey	Treasurer
Emma Brown	Secretary
Michelle Blackaby	Trustee
Jenna McBain	Trustee
Michelle Martin	Trustee
Charlie Foreman	Trustee
Kim Watson	Trustee
Paige Williams	Trustee
Carol Jackson	Trustee
Laura Kench	Trustee
Joanne Hull	Trustee

The constitution is that of the Pre-School Learning Alliance.

We adopted their new 2011 constitution at the general meeting in January 2012.

Our main aims and objectives are as follows:

1. To enhance the development and education of children under the statutory school age in a parent involved community-based group.
2. To provide a safe, secure and stimulating environment.
3. To work within a framework that ensures equality of opportunity for all children and families.

Details of our bankers and accountant are as follows:

CAF BANK, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, ME14 4TA

R.K.Lawrence: Accountant, 94 Brook Street, Erith, Kent. DA8 1JF

Section 2

Activities and Achievements

We began this year with a small financial reserve, carried from previous years' successes. We have made a profit this financial year of £35,302.

We had a very busy year this year with a few nurseries closing down around us, we saw our numbers increase which meant we had to open our Old School building earlier than usual to cater to the increase in numbers. We obtained a bronze award for the 'Early years Education for Sustainable Development Award' and had all our staff complete their Paediatric first aid training with four members of staff completing their DSL training.

We took the children on many trips outside of the preschool this year including a trip to Eagle Heights which is a wildlife foundation consisting of many birds of prey and mammals, the children watched a flying display and saw a variety of mammals including meerkats, African servals, farm animals, huskies and more. We also took the children to the local woods, village shops, library, local park and to the community cupboard which is the village foodbank.

We continued our fundraising efforts this year focusing on the sponsored bike ride at the race, Brands Hatch where the children are invited to come along with a bike or scooter and get sponsored, per lap of the go kart circuit. We also have a stall at the local village summer fete and a stall at the local primary school's Christmas fayre, all funds raised go directly back to the preschool for much needed play equipment for our garden.

We continue to build a very good relationship with the local primary school, St Edmunds, with them inviting us over to attend their circle of light to raise money for the Samaritans and for story time with Santa. We also converse with them a lot about children leaving us to go to them in the new academic year with them, with the teachers visiting us and meeting the children and them providing our children with settling sessions.

We took on 1 Apprentice this year within the government scheme and this has proved to be very beneficial to our setting giving current staff extra support and giving them the chance to become mentors. She is still currently in training and is looking to complete their apprenticeships by September when she will become keyworker and have her own key children.

We continue to accept children on all types of universal and increased government funding and have been able to offer these places in an unrestricted pattern

We have continued with a program of ongoing and increased training. Since Covid we are seeing an increasing need of speech and language delays in children coming through our doors and an increased level of SEN, therefore the majority of our staff completed an autism awareness course and extra SEN related courses.

We are going in to 2024-2025 with healthy reserves. Although we have big concerns regarding increased staffing cost of pensions, minimum wage and employer national insurance, increase of bills, rent, typical overheads ect and upcoming extra funding from the government which would mean the setting losing money as all children would be entitled to funding at a rate which is much lower than we charge per hour and the local councils making it harder for us to charge for extras like consumables meaning we cannot charge for snacks ect and this all needs to be paid by us. We also have concerns sue to a new day nursery opening up in the village. We endeavour as always to keep costs down as much as possible and fund projects by our fundraising efforts. With our main aim, as always, to be of service to the local community.

Section 3 Declaration

The Trustees have approved the Trustees' report above.

Signature: S K Brown

Full Name: Susan Brown

Position: Chairperson

Date: 6th June , 2025

WEST KINGSDOWN PRE SCHOOL
Income and Expenditure Account
For the Year to 31st July 2024

		<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>INCOME</u>			
Rental Income	(Note 1)	0	0
Fees Received		49012	40115
Photographic Commission		0	0
Donations		1803	968
Bank Interest		852	376
Fund Raising Activities	(Note 2)	5052	2668
Grants	(Note 3)	168789	146571
Sundry	(Note 4)	1178	223
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		£ 226686	£ 190921
		_____	_____
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
Rent & Rates		4343	3331
Light & Heat		1649	1312
Wages		165004	153512
Small Equipment		98	240
Large Equipment		3754	2603
Administrative Expenses		266	1450
Insurance		0	895
Milk/Biscuits Less Rebate		0	29
Telephone		1174	1048
Consumable Play Materials		10922	8169
Sundry Payments		1670	443
Bank Charges		60	77
Courses		926	957
Charity		3	0
Bldg Repair/Improvements		1242	15318
Fundraising Costs		273	0
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		£ 191384	£ 189384
		_____	_____
Deficit/Surplus for the Year		£ 35302	£ 1537
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WEST KINGSDOWN PRE SCHOOL

Balance Sheet as at 31st July 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>FUNDS EMPLOYED</u>		
Accumulated Fund	98377	96840
Deficit/Surplus for Year	35302	1537
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	£ 133679	£ 98377
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<u>Current Assets</u>		
Milk Rebate Outstanding	0	0
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	0	0
<u>Cash at Bank</u>		
Caf Deposit	29037	28337
Cash	860	912
Current Account	<u>105932</u>	<u>71278</u>
	135829	100527
Less Creditors	<u>2150</u>	<u>2150</u>
	£ <u>133679</u>	£ <u>98377</u>

I have examined the relevant books and documents of the West Kingsdown Pre-School Playgroup Association and in my opinion the published Accounts represent a true and fair view of the financial position as at the 31st July 2023

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Account Notes

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Note 2 Fundraising

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Note 3 Grants

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KCC Quality payment		167009		146249
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Apprenticeship Grant		1000		0
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Note 4 Sundry

Sundry		119		0
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Training		250		0
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