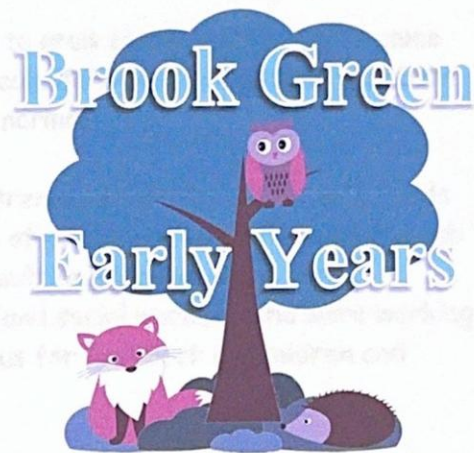


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Manager's report

A lot has happened since our last meeting way back in November 2019! Things were really positive following the meeting and numbers were starting to increase with new children booked in to start in Spring 2020. Then we all know what happened COVID-19 hit and we were soon after placed into lockdown!

Once the furlough scheme was introduced we furloughed Jess on medical grounds, along with Roxy and Sarah. The remaining staff and children were then placed into bubbles. In the initial lockdown we were very quiet, only accepting keyworker children, children with SEN and children known to social care. Although we all found this very strange we also had lots of fun! This was pretty much our Spring and Summer as even when the lockdown was lifted not all children returned. At this stage we were extremely worried as numbers were very low and wouldn't be enough to sustain us moving forward, however we needn't have worried because as time went on we saw more and more children return including a few new ones to the point we unfurloughed the staff.

Summer 2020 saw us lose 26 children to school and we fed into 11 schools, which meant September was quite quiet. This didn't last long and we started to see numbers increase, this was quieter than in previous years but was enough to keep us going financially.

When the second national lockdown came into force in November nothing changed for us as all nursery children could continue to attend. We saw a slight decrease in numbers with some parents wanting to see how things progressed. Before we knew it it was Christmas.

After Christmas our numbers continued to grow slowly and the staff came back refreshed after a much needed break. Between then and now numbers have increased steadily but slower than normal.

During the Spring the staff found it extremely frustrating that as a hands on care provider we were the only group of people not to be offered the jab despite daily physical contact. To add insult to injury we were often phoned/emailed by health professionals and social workers who were working from home having had their jabs asking us for feedback on children and their families.

Jess has now gone on maternity leave, with her baby due anytime. She will hopefully return in late Spring. With Sarah Peets help we interviewed and took on Gemma, a level 3 practitioner who has many years experience and was relocating to Taunton.

We last had our OFSTED inspection in October 2016 and due to COVID our follow up inspection has been delayed. We are expecting them at any time! As the EYFS is changing from September we expect it to be then and are having two training days in the Summer holidays to become more familiar with the new framework.

This year we are only losing 10 children to school plus 4 who are leaving to go to pre-schools attached to schools. We already have a handful of new children booked in for September.

Obviously when COVID hit we were extremely concerned about finances and at one point thought the staff would take a percentage cut to their wages. Fortunately this did not happen due in part to the furlough scheme, us being able to access a £10,000 business grant from Taunton Deane and not having to pay business rates.

At the start of the restrictions we had £23,377 with funding due which would take this to approximately £60,000. Today we have £58,291 with approximately £10,000 due any day in top up funding, so thankfully we have ended in a better place than when we started.

BROOK GREEN EARLY YEARS

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2020

Caravan Hire Income for year to 31 August 2019	34,345.25
Subscribed Share Capital for year to 31 August 2019 (Savings Account)	2,079.12
Balance b/fwd	31,997.27

BROOK GREEN EARLY YEARS

ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

BROOK GREEN EARLY YEARS

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2020

	£	£
Accumulated fund b/fwd as at 31 August 2019		34,366.26
Accumulated fund b/fwd as at 31 August 2019 Savings Account)		3309.12
Total Income for year	191,937.27	
Total Expenditure for year	(185,647.14)	
Excess of income over expenditure for the year	6,290.13	
Accumulated Fund c/fwd as at 31st August 2020		<u>43,965.51</u>
Balance at Bank at 31st August 2020		40651.45
Balance at Bank at 31st August 2020 Savings Account		3314.06
Total Bank		<u>43965.51</u>

BROOK GREEN EARLY YEARS

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2020

	£	£	£
Balance brought forward from 31st August 2019			34,366.26

INCOME

Fees (parents)	30,974.90
2 & 3 year olds Funding Grant	117,233.69
Higher Needs Funding	1,401.00
Childcare Vouchers (Fees)	17,841.68
Bank Interest	4.94
Fundraising	121.00
Grants	23,334.11
Other	1,025.95

Total income for year

191,937.27

EXPENDITURE

Permenant Staff Wages	128,644.07
Tax and National Insurance	24,373.44
Staff Training	330.00
Pension Contributions	4,955.88
Recruitment	504.30
Rates	1,272.00
Premises Costs	4,677.00
Phone/Internet	530.97
Cleaning	6,699.19
Nursery Meals	3,652.49
Nursery Resources	2,704.10
Nursery Equipment	2,471.73
Offsted Fee	220.00
Nursery Insurance	1,466.23
Bank Charges	11.00
Nursery Misc	966.83
Office Consumables	925.41
Office Equipment	272.64
Sage/Software	969.86
Total expenditure for year	<hr/> 185,647.14

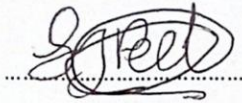
£40,656.39

Brook Green Early Years

Year ended 31st August 2020

Treasurer's Report``

I can confirm to the best of my knowledge and belief and having made enquiries of other committee members of the nursery, that all books and records for Brook Green Early Years for the academic year 2019/2020 have been made available for inspection and that all relevant matters have been disclosed.



For and behalf of Brook Green Early Years

Auditor's Report

I have examined the books and records of Brook Green Early Years and in my opinion the accounts fairly reflect the transactions of the nursery for the academic year 2019/2020 and its financial position at the year end.



For and behalf of Monksilver GP



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

On accounts for the year
ended

Charity no
(if any)

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Sarah Waring

Date:

4/4/2021

Name:

SARAH WARING

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

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Address:

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.