
WINDMILL PRE-SCHOOL

Charity Commission no. 1032380

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

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CHARITY INFORMATION

PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

**Trustees in the year,
including those who held
office:**

Sophie Cato (appointed July 2021)
Leanne O'Callaghan (appointed 1 September 2022)
Rachelle Mesley (appointed 1 September 2023)
Hannah Miles (8 November 2023)
Julia Vinkokurova (1 September 2023)

Treasurer:

Leanne O'Callaghan (appointed 1 September 2022)

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

The trustees set out the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2024.

The Pre-School is governed by a Constitution that was adopted in November 2014. The overall management and control of the Pre-School rests with the individual members of the Pre-School's Management Committee. Members are elected or re-elected at the Annual General Meeting in May each year.

The trustees have complied with their duty to have given due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities.

The aims of the Pre-School are to enhance the development and education of children under statutory school age. In this period, during the 38 weeks of school term time, the Pre-School has provided morning and afternoon sessions every week day, and all of the sessions are well attended.

The Pre-School provides places for children from two years old up to five years old, and offers appropriate play, education and care facilities. In particular, the Pre-School instigates, adheres to and furthers the aims and objects of the Pre-School Learning Alliance. In addition to providing places for funded children from when they are three years old, the Pre-School is able to take funded two-year old's.

The Pre-School had a busy year: in addition to the normal day-to-day activities of the Pre-School, the children have participated in numerous special occasions and activities, including Sports Day and a Nativity Play.

The Pre-School's primary source of income is funding from Buckinghamshire County Council, but fundraising is also very important. In late 2017 the government introduced 30 hours free childcare, which the Management Committee supports, and the Pre-School provides. However, it creates a 'funding gap' since the hourly fees paid by government do not reflect well our corresponding expenditure, which is primarily staff costs. This year the Pre-School successfully raised funds through volunteer-organised events and initiatives, but we expect the free childcare funding gap to continue to impact our reserves over time.

At 31 March 2024, the Pre-School holds cash at the bank and in hand of £220,853.20 all of which is unrestricted funds. These funds are held in order to meet the ongoing expenditure of the Pre-School, as well as to cover the cost of unexpected events.

Trustees

The trustees who held office during the year were as listed on page 1 of this report.


on behalf of the trustees

Leanne O'Callaghan
Trustee

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

	Year to 31 st March 2024 £	Year to 31 st March 2023 £
Income		
Nursery Grant	189,868.72	178,663.74
Fees	89,588.41	69,003.71
Fundraising	10,844.99	13,754.10
Uniform	1,079.25	861.50
Sundry	639.31	384.66
Bank interest received	1,999.33	210.00
Other Grants	0	2,080.00
Income and bank interest	295,534.38	264,957.71
Expenditure		
Wages	180,692.75	152,240.19
Rent and business rates	12,141.67	10,693.56
IT Software and consumables	3,545.14	2,844.33
Equipment	4,912.01	1,971.76
Consumables and resources	11,474.27	14,501.39
Uniform	1,224.20	3,075.21
Social Events	7,836.51	4,405.98
Staff Courses and DBS	3,459.64	3,096.91
Grant spend	20,514.90	0
Licenses and subscriptions	6,383.35	5,927.66
Fundraising costs	421.32	3,233.00
Advertising	376.09	144.49
Cleaning	5,507.62	6,004.55
Sundry	2,349.34	852.90
Professional Services	1,566.00	0
Bank Charges	0	133.76
Total Expenditure	262,404.81	212,958.73
Surplus for the financial year	31,209.34	51,998.98
Retained funds brought forward	189,643.86	137,644.88
Retained funds carried forward (Includes amount in Deposit Account)	220,853.20	189,643.86

All trust funds are unrestricted funds.

There were no other recognised gains or losses during the financial year and no separate statement of total recognised gains or losses has therefore been presented.


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ASSETS, LIABILITIES & FUNDS REPORT

	31 st March 2024 £	31 st March 2023 £
Current assets		
Bank and cash	220,853.20	189,643.86
Net current assets	<u>220,853.20</u>	<u>189,643.86</u>
Net assets	<u>220,853.20</u>	<u>189,643.86</u>
Unrestricted funds		
Balance brought forward	189,643.86	137,644.88
Surplus for the year	31,209.34	51,998.98
	<u>220,853.20</u>	<u>189,643.86</u>

The financial statement was approved by the trustees on 10th July 2024 and

were signed on its behalf by:


L O'Callaghan
Trustee

J Vinokurova
Trustee



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NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Accounting policies

The following accounting policy has been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the trust's financial statements:

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

2. Grants income and expenditure

The Pre-School receives grants in the year to spend on projects related to specific benefits for the Pre-School, its children and staff. There were no material grants received in the year apart from the council funding for the pre-school.

3. Trustees' remuneration

The following trustees received expenses reimbursements during the year:

R Mesley	£66.50
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

Report to the trustees of Windmill Pre-School (Charity Commission no. 1032380) on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024 set out on pages 3 to 5.

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.



Date: 10th July 2024

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