



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

FromPeriod start date 01 August 2023 **To** 31 July 2024 **Period end date**

Charity name: Osmotherley Pre School

Charity registration number: 1035485

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	We are an independent pre-school which also has charitable status and is run by parent volunteers who carry out the aims and objectives of the pre-school. All monies raised in whatever manner go back into to resourcing the group where all monies are directly spent on the children.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	We aim to serve every child within the local community and beyond. We maintain strong links with all aspects of the community including the local primary school. We believe that children play a vital role within our communities. Here at pre-school we believe that children learn best through play, we therefore have a great deal of free flow play in which the children are able to make independent choices about activities that they are interested in. We plan for children's learning through their interests, assessing their well-being, involvement and schematic play. We take a holistic approach to both development and learning where all children are valued. We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage Guidance and provide a rich variety of resources both indoor and outdoor. We also provide regular opportunities for exploring the local environment for the children, a truly enriched learning experiencing. All our staff are well qualified, undertake training and update knowledge in line with Ofsted and other government requirements. In July 2024, the Preschool was awarded Outstanding status by Ofsted after inspection. Details of the report can be found on the Ofsted website. The pre-school has had 20 plus children on the roll through the year.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance	Para 1.18	Trustees have had regard to the guidance on public benefit as issued by the Charity

issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		Commission when undertaking the charities work during the year.
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Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	We continue to provide three full day (8am to 5.30pm) sessions and two morning sessions during term time and weekly holiday club provision. This provides a realistic option for working parents and has contributed greatly to the ongoing financial stability of the pre-school. Staff wage rates were increased in April 2024 to continue to be comparable with other local settings and national minimum wage. The Committee are committed to ensuring wages rates continue to rise annually. This is to both recognise the performance of the current staff and to enable future recruitment. The increases do have an impact on operating cash flow and we continue to fundraise to assist with provisions and operating costs. Fundraising also ensures we have sufficient in our reserves to cover drops in head count as well as having the funds available for building repair and maintenance as it arises.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The pre-school holds in reserve sufficient funds to cover statutory redundancy payments. This is annually. In addition, a capital reserve is held for any future building costs. (The preschool being responsible for all maintenance of the building under the terms of the lease with NYCC). If we are unable to pay for repair works as they arise, we would be forced to close the preschool. The current area that is likely to need repair is the roof as we have replaced the boiler in the year. .
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The reserves are held in a separate instant access account with higher interest
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£25,997
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Osmotherley Preschool
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1035485
Charity's principal address	3 School Lane Osmotherley Northallerton DL6 3BW

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Elisabeth Margaret James	Chair		
2	Anna Ramshay	Treasurer		
3	Bethany Bilby	Trustee		
4	Elizabeth Brown	Trustee		
5	Alex Bilby	Trustee	From 24 August 2023	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	E James	A Ramshay
Full name(s)	Elisabeth Margaret James	Anna Ramshay
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	19/05/2025	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Osmotherley Pre-School

On accounts for the year
ended

31st July 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1035485

Set out on pages

3,4 & 5 (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 31/07/2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of 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

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities 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:

Date:

19 May 2025

Name:

Martin Wheller

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

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Address:

4 Burnhope Way, Houghton-le-Spring, DH4 6GR

Section B

Disclosure

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

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

Receipts and Payments Account for Year Ended 31st July 2024

	2023/24 £	2022/23 £
<u>Receipts</u>		
Fees	25,734.72	20,139.20
NYCC	24,718.00	31,175.00
Grants*	5,916.65	-
Fundraising	16,530.20	105.00
Miscellaneous**	-	288.35
	72,899.57	51,707.55
<u>Payments</u>		
Wages	58,514.73	49,298.85
Premises costs inc Insurance***	6,324.50	5,228.95
General Running costs****	4,539.58	3,278.08
Books and Materials	401.02	629.04
	69,779.83	58,434.92
Excludes amounts paid over to Deposit account		
(Deficit)/Excess of Receipts over Payments	3,119.74	(6,727.37)
<u>Other Receipts & Payments</u>		
From Deposit Account	6,000.00	6,540.00
To Deposit Account	10,000.00	-
Net Transfers to Deposit Account	4,000.00	(6,540.00)

* Grant funding:

i) £2,916.65 received from Best Practice to help towards Apprentice Training costs

ii) £3,000 from the Woodsmith foundation which was spent on the kitchen refurbishment, the kitchen expenditure is in the financial year 2024/25 and totalled £3,360

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Balance Sheet for Year Ended 31st July 2024

		2023/24	2022/23
		£	£
Pre School Fund as at:	31 st July 2023	28,434.06	34,980.98
	Excess/(Deficit)	3,119.74	(6,727.37)
	Bank Interest	<u>330.89</u>	<u>180.45</u>
Pre School Fund as at:	31 st July 2024	<u>31,884.69</u>	<u>28,434.06</u>
Represented by			
Current Account at	31 st July 2024	5,888.13	6,768.39
Deposit Account	25,665.67		21,485.22
Deposit Account Interest	330.89		180.45
		<u>25,996.56</u>	<u>21,665.67</u>
		<u>£31,884.69</u>	<u>£28,434.06</u>
Committed balance in the current account:			
	PAYE/Pension	£222.95	
This leaves a net uncommitted balance of		<u>£5,665.18</u>	Actual spare cash position
Deposit account provisions:			
	Roof fund	£18,996.56	
	Redundancy	<u>£7,000.00</u>	
	Total	<u>£25,996.56</u>	



19 May 2025

Bank Reconciliation

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Report as at 31/07/2024

Balance on Statement £5,888.13 31/07/2024

Balance at start of year £6,768.39 01/08/2023

Income	£81,124.67	
(Incl from Deposit Account)	£6,000.00	
less unbanked items	£0.00	£81,124.67

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Expenditure	£82,004.93	
(Incl to Deposit Account)	£10,000.00	
less unpresented cheques	£0.00	£82,004.93

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