

THORNER PRE-SCHOOL AND TODDLER GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1036320

Details

Other names THORNER VILLAGE PLAYGROUP

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1994-04-14

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO ENHANCE THE DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN UNDER STATUTORY SCHOOL AGE BY ENCOURAGING PARENTS TO UNDERSTAND AND PROVIDE FOR THE NEEDS OF THEIR CHILDREN THROUGH COMMUNITY GROUPS

Activities: The aim of the pre school is to enhance the development and education of children under statutory school age in a parent involved community based group.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Leeds City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£114,012	£91,126	-	-
2023-08-31	£106,085	£96,171	-	-
2022-08-31	£108,625	£116,820	-	-
2021-08-31	£93,415	£102,440	-	-
2020-08-31	£82,512	£86,118	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Belinda Bateson	Chair	1999-01-01
Emma Pearson Mrs		2022-09-06
Izzy Taylor		2014-09-01
Linsey King		2014-01-01
Tammy Sindhar		2023-05-16

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Annual Report and Financial Statements

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For the year ended 31 August 2024

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Committee Report

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320) For the year ended 31 August 2024

1. The members of the management committee during the year were:

Chair	Belinda Bateson
Vice Chair	Izzy Samociuk
Secretary	Emma Pearson
Treasurer	Linsay King
Trustees	Tammy Sindhar, Natasha Dixon

2. Principal Address

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3. Governing Document

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The aim of the pre-school is to enhance the development and education of children under statutory school age in a parent-involved, community based group, which ensures equality of opportunity for all children and their families.

5. Independent Examiner

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1. Review of progress and achievements

Pre-school showed a profit of £22,886.20 this academic year.
Our income was £114,011.95. And our expenditure was £91,125.75.
We had more children on role this year, resulting in more parents paying their fees privately. We also received an increase from the government through FEEE for 2, 3 and 4 year olds in comparison to the previous year- which made a positive impact financially.
Pre-school had to increase their own fees for parents that were not entitled to the funding to cover the costs of consumables, rent, bills and the rise in minimum wage.
We also did lots of fundraising to help cover some of the outgoings on new resources and equipment.
We continued to invest in our staff, providing opportunities for more training.

2. Statement of objectives for the future

Our capacity was running at 41% September 2023 - which is positive for that time of year. Our numbers increased throughout the academic year, and by summer 2024, we were running at 71% capacity.

We decided to run a holiday club for a number of days in each school holiday- depending on the uptake. This made a positive impact on our financial situation and was also offering parents an additional service- that was needed to stay sustainable and relevant.

This is something we have continued to offer, and we will continue to do so in the future.

Our monthly income and expenditure are monitored on a regular basis, so we can ensure Pre-school remains sustainable. This means we can also review and amend income and expenditure accordingly.

We will also continue to fundraise to help bring in extra revenue- allowing us to purchase new resources and equipment and to repair and sustain our beautiful outdoor space.

3. Chairperson of Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group

"Pre-school remains at the heart of the community within Thorner.
We offer learning opportunities and provide a range of experiences for children and families to be a part of.
Our Ofsted rated 'good' setting is a wonderful place to work and is very rewarding. We have a very dedicated team that work hard to ensure Pre-school's standards are met.
We have focused on advertising on a number of various platforms- bringing custom to our setting. And we have introduced holiday clubs- which have provided an additional service to working parents and families.
We are looking forward to the new academic year ahead and will try to tackle financial challenges head on as we have done this year. We will continue to plan fundraising events to help raise funds for our non-for-profit charity."

4. Approval of the Accounts

The Annual Report and Accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees held on: 07/05/25.....
Name: Izzy Taylor
Signed: Izzy Taylor
on behalf of the Trustees.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320) For the year ended 31 August 2024

Cash Basis

I report on the accounts of the charity set out on pages 7 to 10.

1. Respective responsibilities of the trustees and the examine

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.

2. 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 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 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 view given by the accounts.

3. Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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Signed: _____

Date: _____

Income & Expenditure

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320)

For the year ended 31 August 2024

Cash Basis

	NOTES	2024	2023
Sales			
Fees		53,799	21,636
Grants		60,213	81,068
Other donations		-	3,381
Total Sales		114,012	106,085
Gross Profit			
		114,012	106,085
Expenses			
General Administration			
Accountancy Fee		1,656	810
Bank/Alto charges		108	90
Charitable Donations		6	-
Cleaning costs		40	167
DBS fees		65	39
Direct wages		69,896	69,644
Employment & HR advice		-	2,094
Equipment		96	119
Food		56	373
Football coaching		-	135
IT costs		638	330
Materials		2,260	793
Other staff costs		1,810	6,481
Payroll fees		324	378
Pension-Employer contributions		1,160	1,180
Registration & insurance fees		728	884
Rent		10,961	11,875
Repairs and maintenance		705	267
Stationery		119	513
Training		300	-
Zoo Lab Visits		198	-
Total General Administration		91,126	96,171
Total Expenses		91,126	96,171
Net Profit (Loss)		22,886	9,913

Balance Sheet

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As at 31 August 2024

Cash Basis

	NOTES	31 AUG 2024	31 AUG 2023
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets		104,769	79,023
Total Fixed Assets		104,769	79,023
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Other creditors		8,285	5,425
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		8,285	5,425
Net current assets (liabilities)		(8,285)	(5,425)
Total assets less current liabilities		96,484	73,598
Net Assets		96,484	73,598
Capital and reserves			
Funds - unrestricted			
Accumulated Funds		73,598	63,684
Current Year Earnings		22,886	9,913
Total Funds - unrestricted		96,484	73,598
Total Capital and reserves		96,484	73,598

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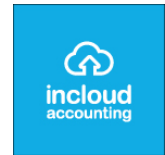
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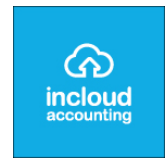
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Name:
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Signed: _____

Date: _____

Income & Expenditure

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320)

For the year ended 31 August 2023

Cash Basis

	NOTES	2023	2022
Sales			
Fees		21,636	41,236
Grants		81,068	67,389
Other donations		3,381	-
Total Sales		106,085	108,625
Gross Profit			
		106,085	108,625
Expenses			
General Administration			
Accountancy Fee		810	1,500
Adverts		-	129
Bank/Alto charges		90	24
Cleaning costs		167	742
DBS fees		39	52
Direct wages		69,644	86,274
Employment & HR advice		2,094	2,237
Entertaining		-	248
Equipment		119	1,565
First Aid Costs		-	680
Food		373	698
Football coaching		135	650
Garden maintenance		-	474
Ink cartridges		-	550
IT costs		330	80
Lunches		-	5
Materials		793	2,348
Other staff costs		6,481	1,668
Payroll fees		378	360
Pension-Employer contributions		1,180	1,119
Postage		-	6
Registration & insurance fees		884	933
Rent		11,875	11,030
Repairs and maintenance		267	835
Stationery		513	1,846
Training		-	526
Zoo Lab Visits		-	239
Total General Administration		96,171	116,820
Total Expenses		96,171	116,820
Net Profit (Loss)		9,913	(8,194)

Balance Sheet

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320)

As at 31 August 2023

Cash Basis

	NOTES	31 AUG 2023	31 AUG 2022
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets		79,023	65,142
Total Fixed Assets		79,023	65,142
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Other creditors		5,425	1,458
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		5,425	1,458
Net current assets (liabilities)		(5,425)	(1,458)
Total assets less current liabilities		73,598	63,684
Net Assets		73,598	63,684
Capital and reserves			
Funds - unrestricted			
Accumulated Funds		63,684	71,879
Current Year Earnings		9,913	(8,194)
Total Funds - unrestricted		73,598	63,684
Total Capital and reserves		73,598	63,684

Notes to the Accounts

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4. Aims & Organisation

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5. Independent Examiner

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Committee Report continued

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For the year ended 31 August 2022

1. Review of progress and achievements

Pre-school showed a loss of £8,195 this academic year.

Our income was £108,625. And our expenditure was £116,820.

Our income was £15,210 more than the previous year.

We had more children on role this year, resulting in more parents paying their fees privately. We also received more money from the government through FEEE for 2, 3 and 4 year olds in comparison to 2021.

Pre-school tried to cut back in expenditure wherever possible, but we needed to invest more money into compulsory staff training, such as First Aid. We also had an increase in cost in many other areas including payroll, snacks, accountancy fees, advertising, wages etc.

2. Statement of objectives for the future

Our capacity was running at 62% September 2021- which is positive for that time of year. Our numbers increased throughout the academic year.

We are still quieter than we have been at this time of year previously- but we are finding from feedback that parents' working situations have changed since the pandemic, and many more are now able to work at home. We have also found that some parents require longer sessions to fit around work, and we are not always able to offer wrap around care/holiday care to support this.

Moving forward we will consider the financial benefits of opening during the school holidays to see if this is something that allows more families to use our setting and services.

3. Chairperson of Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group

"Pre-school is a wonderful and rewarding setting to manage. However, the financial stability of Pre-school is unpredictable and unsustainable in the current climate. There have been many knock-on effects from the Pandemic, many of them impacting us negatively. We are also finding that the governments FEEE scheme is not in line with privately paying pupils, meaning that our setting loses money each hour, for each funded child in our care. Consumables are also increasing in price, as are staff wages and our rent is also due to increase over the coming months.

Our focus for the next academic year will be to increase the number of children attending our setting. We will carry on doing this through advertising on free platforms, such as social media. We also have a new website that we will advertise.

Because our Pre-school is located in a small, rural town, it does not always appeal to parents working in towns or cities, as it isn't on route and we currently do not offer childcare through the school holidays due to lack of numbers when previously trailed. This is something we will be trying again moving forward.

We are looking forward to the new academic year ahead and will try to tackle financial challenges head on. Management and staff are enthusiastic and remain positive, in the hope that we can continue to provide an 'Ofsted Outstanding' setting to members of the community. We will continue to plan fundraising events to help raise funds for our non-for profit charity."

Committee Report continued

4. Approval of the Accounts

The Annual Report and Accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees held on: 29th June 2023
Name: Belinda Batsion
Signed: B. Batsion
on behalf of the Trustees.

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Signed: S. Law

Date: 29/6/23

Income & Expenditure

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For the year ended 31 August 2022

Cash Basis

	NOTES	2022	2021
Sales			
Fees		41,236	26,782
Grants		67,389	66,633
Total Sales		108,625	93,415
Gross Profit			
		108,625	93,415
Expenses			
General Administration			
Accountancy Fee		1,500	270
Adverts		129	42
Bank/Alto charges		24	120
Charitable Donations		-	114
Cleaning costs		742	835
DBS fees		52	116
Direct wages		86,274	73,827
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Fundraising costs		-	179
Garden maintenance		474	608
Ink cartridges		550	759
IT costs		80	639
Lunches		5	187
Materials		2,348	2,575
Other staff costs		1,668	849
Payroll fees		360	90
Pension-Employer contributions		1,119	966
Postage		6	8
Registration & insurance fees		933	1,103
Rent		11,030	11,030
Repairs and maintenance		835	71
Stationery		1,846	2,288
Telephone & Text Messages		-	129
Training		526	1,121
Zoo Lab Visits		239	239
Total General Administration		116,820	102,440
Total Expenses		116,820	102,440

Income & Expenditure

	NOTES	2022	2021
Net Profit (Loss)		(8,194)	(9,026)

Balance Sheet

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As at 31 August 2022

Cash Basis

	NOTES	31 AUG 2022	31 AUG 2021
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets		65,142	72,382
Total Fixed Assets		65,142	72,382
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Other creditors		1,458	504
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		1,458	504
Net current assets (liabilities)		(1,458)	(504)
Total assets less current liabilities		63,684	71,879
Net Assets		63,684	71,879
Capital and reserves			
Funds - unrestricted			
Accumulated Funds		71,879	80,904
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Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320) For the year ended 31 August 2021

1. Review of progress and achievements

Preschool showed a loss of £9026.

It has been a very strange year again for Preschool due to the coronavirus pandemic. As with most organisations, the pandemic has had a massive financial impact on Preschool. Our income for 2021 was £93,414, which was £11,000 more than the previous year. However, staffing costs increased by around £9000. This was due to a number of reasons.

During part of the year we had to maintain small bubbles of children, but maintain staff ratios and levels which meant all staff were in with fewer than usual children. This

impacted on the cost of the payroll. Preschool had a higher than usual intake of 2 year old children which has meant staff ratios have had to stay higher.

We had to close the setting twice, due to positive COVID tests. This resulted in reimbursing parents for sessions that their children could not attend due to the closure. As the closures were not government led, we received no financial support whatsoever. We had to pay the staff out of our own funds at an estimated cost of around £6,000.00, whilst receiving no income. The closures also caused a significant increase in administration work, for which our Manager and Administrator worked a lot of overtime, for which they got paid for.

We have continued to invest in staff training.

2. Statement of objectives for the future

Our numbers for this year have been just below average, however since all the restrictions have been lifted, we have seen a significant increase in numbers and we have been running at full capacity on some days since Easter 2022. Our numbers for September are very low and the current projection shows that we will be running at 36% capacity. This is mainly due to 37% of children leaving to go to Primary School and a lack of new starters. We believe that the latter has also been affected by the pandemic, due to a much larger number of parents working from home and managing their childcare within their home environment.

We have significantly increased our resources and equipment for both indoor and outdoor play to further provide an enriching environment.

We will continue to invest further in staff training to comply with the new Early Years Foundation Stage Framework and develop our team.

3. Chairperson of Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group

"Preschool has been a challenging and difficult place to manage over the last 24 months. There have been many issues to solve and money to save. I have done my utmost to ensure the sustainability of the setting as have the team.

With that in mind, preschool has also been a very rewarding place to work as I feel we have survived the hardest year I have ever had in my 24 years of working here.

Moving forward, we now have the challenge of increasing child numbers for September. We will invest our time in more local advertisement and use Facebook and other social media platforms to spread the word.

The losses we made last year were not quite as bad as I had at first thought, and with the financial consequences of having to close twice as a result of Covid cases, I feel our losses were minimal. My aim is to get back into profit.

We are looking forward to the new year and will meet all challenges head on. Staff are motivated and enthusiastic and we all want preschool to succeed. As a preschool we continue to work in a dedicated yet vigilant manner, to ensure preschool remains open to all and as profitable as possible, and its staff and children remain safe and well."

4. Approval of the Accounts

The Annual Report and Accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees held on: 20/06/2022
Name: Beinda Bareson
Signed: B. Bareson
on behalf of the Trustees.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320)
For the year ended 31 August 2021

Cash Basis

I report on the accounts of the charity set out on pages 7 to 10.

1. Respective responsibilities of the trustees and the examine

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.

2. 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 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 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 view given by the accounts.

3. Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed: Catherine Doherty

Date: 24 June 2021

Income & Expenditure

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320)

For the year ended 31 August 2021

Cash Basis

	NOTES	2021	2020
Sales			
Bank interest received		-	63
Deprivation fund		-	2,893
Fees		26,782	11,889
Fundraising income		-	115
Grants		66,633	67,551
Total Sales		93,415	82,512
Gross Profit			
		93,415	82,512
Expenses			
General Administration			
Accountancy Fee		270	-
Adverts		42	84
Bank/Alto charges		120	173
Charitable Donatlons		114	-
Cleaning costs		835	785
DBS fees		116	98
Direct wages		73,827	65,160
Employment & HR advice		2,204	2,226
Entertaining		140	-
Equipment		1,830	590
Food		102	861
Football coaching		-	990
Fundraising costs		179	-
Garden maintenance		608	-
Ink cartridges		759	-
IT costs		639	625
Lunches		187	-
Materials		2,575	1,543
Other staff costs		849	-
Payroll fees		90	360
Pension-Employer contributions		966	630
Postage		8	-
Prior Year Adjustments		-	(1,097)
Registration & insurance fees		1,103	213
Rent		11,030	11,030
Repairs and maintenance		71	120
Stationery		2,288	541
Sundry expenditure		-	147
Telephone & Text Messages		129	-

Income & Expenditure

	NOTES	2021	2020
Training		1,121	1,039
Zoo Lab Visits		239	-
Total General Administration		102,440	86,118
Total Expenses		102,440	86,118
Net Profit (Loss)		(9,026)	(3,607)

Balance Sheet

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320)

As at 31 August 2021

Cash Basis

	NOTES	31 AUG 2021	31 AUG 2020
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets		72,382	82,318
Total Fixed Assets		72,382	82,318
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Other creditors		504	1,414
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		504	1,414
Net current assets (liabilities)		(504)	(1,414)
Total assets less current liabilities		71,879	80,904
Net Assets		71,879	80,904
Capital and reserves			
Funds - unrestricted			
Accumulated Funds		80,904	84,511
Current Year Earnings		(9,026)	(3,607)
Total Funds - unrestricted		71,879	80,904
Total Capital and reserves		71,879	80,904

Notes to the Accounts

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320) For the year ended 31 August 2021

1. Basis of accounts preparation - the Trustees have taken advantage of section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and have prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.
2. Taxation - as a registered charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.
3. Restricted Funds - are to be used for specified purposes as laid down by the funder. Expenditure which meets these criteria is identified to the fund.

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Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320)

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Committee Report

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320)
For the year ended 31 August 2020

1. The members of the management committee during the year were:

Chair	Belinda Bateson
Vice Chair	Izzy Samociuk
Secretary	Julia Wood
Treasurer	Rob Taylor
Trustees	Linsey King, Laura Noble, Amy Lobley

2. Principal Address

Thorner C of E School, Kirkhills, Thorner, Leeds LS14 3JD

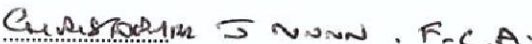
3. Governing Document

Pre-school Learning Alliance Constitution. Constitution adopted 1 November 1993 and amended 28 September 1999.

4. Aims & Organisation

The aim of the pre-school is to enhance the development and education of children under statutory school age in a parent-involved, community based group, which ensures equality of opportunity for all children and their families.

5. Independent Examiner


..... Christopher J Nunn, F.C.A.

Committee Report continued

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320) For the year ended 31 August 2020

1. Review of progress and achievements

Although Preschool showed a loss of £3,606, numbers looked promising for the year. The pandemic had a financial impact on our turnover due to closure and then having to reopen for children of keyworker children only. Preschool lost approximately £9,000 in income for private fees due to this. We did however receive full funding from the Local Authority when we were closed/partially open which was used to pay staff wages. We were also impacted in relation to fundraising activities, due to parents not being allowed on the premises.

When the cleaning contract was due for renewal the quotation received had risen by almost 50% compared to the year before. Preschool decided to undertake the cleaning duties internally with existing staff which decreased expenditure by just under £4,000.

We have continued to develop our staff by investing in further training.

2. Statement of objectives for the future

As the restrictions caused by the pandemic start to ease, we have seen an increase in numbers from Easter this year. Our numbers for September 2021 are much higher than they have been over the previous 2 years. Current projections show that we will be running at 80% capacity for the start of the next academic year.

We have started to advertise locally again. We have significantly increased our resources and equipment for outdoor play to further provide an enriching environment outdoors.

We will continue to invest further in staff training to comply with the new Early Years Foundation Stage Framework and develop our team.

We have some new ideas to increase our fundraising income.

3. Chairperson of Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group

"I am proud and relieved to say Thorner Preschool has survived the pandemic. It has been a stressful and worrying year, but I think we have come out the other side. The staff have remained the same, other than the addition of Miss Barrett who is covering a period of Maternity leave and helping with a day following up admin in the office. We have tried to cover some of our losses by taking on the cleaning rota ourselves but with a healthy register we are hoping to reclaim more of our losses.

We have invested in staff training via Zoom links to ensure staff have relevant and up to date training.

We are aware of the changes to the EYFS and have invested some money into new resources to enhance the changes and ensure we move on as a Preschool that invests in its children and embraces change.

Although we have not made a profit, we have invested in our dedicated staff by giving them a small pay rise to ensure they are aware of our gratitude to their loyalty at preschool. The prospect of coming into work when the pandemic was at its height was something that had to be handled with great care and consideration, but all staff were on board and willing to help as much as possible.

Our challenge now is to ensure we have good and rigorous advertisement of the setting, and to accept as many children as we can to allow preschool to recover fully. With this in mind I have contacted various advertising sources to fulfil this as an urgent necessity. This is proving successful and numbers are up for September 2021.

As a preschool we continue to work in a dedicated yet vigilant manner, to ensure preschool remains open and as profitable as possible, and its staff and children remain safe and well.

Our committee remains committed to ensuring preschool develops as a business and although Linda Forsey (our longest serving committee member has left) we have elected 2 new parents onto our committee. We will continue to try to encourage more parents to join our committee as new families use the setting."

4. Approval of the Accounts

Committee Report continued

The Annual Report and Accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees held on: 24.5.2011
Name: B. BASSON
Signed: B. Basson
on behalf of the Trustees.

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Signed: 

Date: 1/6/2021

Income & Expenditure

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320)

For the year ended 31 August 2020

Cash Basis

	NOTES	2020	2019
Sales			
Bank interest received		63	55
Deprivation fund		2,893	1,750
Fees		11,889	18,837
Fundraising income		115	1,159
Grants		67,551	60,619
Other donations		-	31
Photograph income		-	34
Total Sales		82,512	82,485
Gross Profit			
		82,512	82,485
Expenses			
General Administration			
Adverts		84	166
Bank/Alto charges		173	122
Charitable Donations		-	132
Cleaning costs		785	4,619
Dance classes		-	450
DBS fees		98	131
Direct wages		65,160	54,264
Employment & HR advice		2,226	2,212
Entertaining		-	242
Equipment		590	1,397
Food		861	657
Football coaching		990	855
Garden maintenance		-	801
HMRC - PAYE & NI on Wages		-	6,314
Ink cartridges		-	1,633
IT costs		625	273
Materials		1,543	1,671
Other staff costs		-	285
Payroll fees		360	360
Pension - Employee contributions		-	161
Pension - Employer contributions		630	2,697
Prior Year Adjustments		(1,097)	-
Registration & insurance fees		213	778
Rent		11,030	10,110
Repairs and maintenance		120	-
Staff party		-	113
Stationery		541	158

Income & Expenditure

	NOTES	2020	2019
Sundry expenditure		147	66
Training		1,039	701
Workwear		-	22
Zoo Lab Visits		-	167
Total General Administration		86,118	91,556
Total Expenses		86,118	91,556
Net Profit (Loss)		(3,607)	(9,071)

Balance Sheet

Thorner Pre School and Toddler Group (Charity No: 1036320)

As at 31 August 2020

Cash Basis

	NOTES	31 AUG 2020	31 AUG 2019
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets		1,630	992
Total Fixed Assets		1,630	992
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		80,699	86,371
Total Current assets		80,699	86,371
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Bank loans and overdrafts		-	2,114
Other creditors		1,425	738
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		1,425	2,852
Net current assets (liabilities)		79,274	83,519
Total assets less current liabilities		80,904	84,511
Net Assets		80,904	84,511
Capital and reserves			
Profit and loss account		80,904	84,511
Total Capital and reserves		80,904	84,511

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