



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1 September 2023** **To**

31 August 2024

Charity name: St Michael's Preschool Nursery

Charity registration number: 1038665

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	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.
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	The main activities undertaken during the year were that of a pre-school nursery.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustee have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit when planning the activities.

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	<p>This last year has been another successful one for St Michael's Preschool Nursery. The nursery had a full Ofsted inspection in the Spring term and was delighted to receive Outstanding. This is a reflection of the dedicated and talented staff that do such a wonderful job educating the young children in their care. It is also a testament to the brilliant children and families in our community, who bring so much to the setting.</p> <p>The setting is currently full, which a healthy waiting list of families eagerly awaiting places. The children who left the nursery to start their new adventures in Reception in various local primary schools, went off prepared, excited and with a solid foundational education.</p> <p>The new starters that joined us in September have all settled in well, with the other children working hard at their teamwork skill to welcome the new children and show them the ropes.</p> <p>There has also been some networking set up between St Michael's Preschool Nursery and some other EYFS settings locally, which is proving to be a success of skills and knowledge sharing.</p> <p>Overall, a very busy and successful year, thanks to the hard work of all involved.</p>

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	During the year the charity saw a surplus of £331. At the year end the charity holds funds of £33,406.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The trustees aim to hold reserves to cover expenditure for six months if income ceased.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£33,406 of which £0 are restricted reserves
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	No uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue activities.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated charity
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	Appointed by existing trustees

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	St Michael's Preschool Nursery
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1038665
Charity's principal address	The Recreation Centre The Green Dalston Carlisle CA5 7QB

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	Kate Orend			
2	Leanne Fisher			
3	Peter Jackson			
4	Sharon Davidson			
5	Gail Hardcastle			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

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

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Ms Gail Hardcastle	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	25.06.25	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
St Michael's Preschool Nursery

On accounts for the year
ended

31 August 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1038665

Set out on pages

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(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 31/08/2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

I have no concerns and 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:

Date:

Name:

Alison Welton

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

FCA

Address:

David Allen, Dalmar House

Barras Lane Estate, Dalston

Carlisle, CA5 7NY

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



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Charity Name

St Michael's Preschool Nursery

No (if any)
1038665

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
01/09/2023

To

Period end date
31/08/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fees	19,264	-	-	19,264	16,742
Nursery Grant	43,823	-	-	43,823	31,123
Staff Wellbeing Grant	-	-	-	-	500
Bank interest	1,027	-	-	1,027	484
Milk	1,687	-	-	1,687	-
Donation	1,477	-	-	1,477	-
Other	321	-	-	321	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	67,599	-	-	67,599	48,849
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	67,599	-	-	67,599	48,849
A3 Payments					
Staff	56,635	-	-	56,635	47,784
Premises	5,620	-	-	5,620	4,440
Insurance	395	-	-	395	379
Catering	-	-	-	-	753
Equipment and materials	1,497	-	-	1,497	855
Update Service subscription	-	-	-	-	52
Accountants fees	1,649	-	-	1,649	3,655
Telephone and broadband	644	-	-	644	756
Affiliation fees	35	-	-	35	35
Training	-	-	-	-	180
Staff Wellbeing Grant	-	-	-	-	500
Sundries	250	-	-	250	-
Fees refund	543	-	-	543	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	67,268	-	-	67,268	59,389
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	67,268	-	-	67,268	59,389
Net of receipts/(payments)	331	-	-	331	- 10,540
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	33,075	-	-	33,075	43,615
Cash funds this year end	33,406	-	-	33,406	33,075

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
	Current account	10,740	-	-
	Savings account	22,666	-	-

	-	-	-
Total cash funds	33,406	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Unrestricted
funds
to nearest £

Restricted
funds
to nearest £

Endowment
funds
to nearest £

Details

B2 Other monetary assets

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

Details

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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Details

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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Details

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Gail Hardcastle	25.06.25