

Annual Report Burniston & Cloughton Playschool 2023/24

Children, staff and committee overview:

Children: 26 registered

Staff:

Mrs Walker – manager

Mrs Cox – Deputy and SEN officer

Mrs Marshall – practitioner

Mia Floris – apprentice practitioner

Karen Magson – supply assistant

Committee Members;

Claire Turnball – Treasurer

Becky Hazard – secretary

Jo Vickerman - Health & Safety & fundraising

Jo Taylor

Sarah Hoff

Kate Townsend

As Chair of the Playschool Committee, it is my pleasure to present the annual report for the year 2023/24. It has been another exciting and enriching year for our playschool, full of learning, fun, and community engagement. I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to the staff, parents, and community members who have made this year such a success but most of all to the wonderful children who make playschool a special place to be.

Below is an overview of the key activities, events, and developments that have shaped the year.

Curriculum and Learning Themes This year:

The children explored a variety of engaging topics that fostered creativity, curiosity, and developmental growth. Each topic provided opportunities for hands-on learning, play, and imagination.

Farm: The children enjoyed learning about farm animals and life on a farm, supported by a visit from a local farmer who brought in lambs and sheep for the children to meet.

Stickman (one of my favourites!): We explored the popular story "Stickman," encouraging the children to create their own stick characters and follow along with the adventures.

Space: A highlight of the term was the journey into space! where the children learned about planets, stars, and astronauts.

Growing: planting seeds and learning about the life cycle of plants. The children were fascinated by how things grow with water, sunlight, and care.

Dinosaurs: Dinosaurs always capture the children's imagination, and this topic was no different. From fossils to Herbivores and Carnivores, this was a firm favourite.

Fairytales: Classic tales allowed the children to step into magical worlds, inspiring storytelling and role play.

Celebrations

Celebrating special occasions helps foster a sense of belonging and community. This year, the playschool marked several memorable celebrations:

Bonfire Night: The children created firework art and enjoyed a safe and fun talk about fireworks.

Christmas: A highlight for all was our Christmas celebrations, which included making decorations, decorating, and a festive party.

Mothers' Day & Father's Day: The children made thoughtful cards to show their appreciation for their parents / caregivers.

Easter: We held an Easter egg roll on the grounds near playschool, one of our annual traditions.

Children in Need & Red Nose Day: We raised awareness for both of these fantastic causes, with the children participating in fun activities.

Community Events

We were delighted to participate in several community events, strengthening our ties with local organizations and schools:

Cober Hill Christmas Star Competition: The children decorated stars for this annual competition.

Lindhead School Christmas Play: We attended this local school's Christmas play, which was a great opportunity for our children to see older students performing.

Staintondale Easter Egg Competition: Several of our children entered this fun competition, and we were thrilled to see their creative efforts recognized.

Ravenscar Village Show - Painting Competition: The children contributed to the painting competition, showcasing their artistic talents.

Sports Day: Our annual Sports Day brought together children and families for a day of fun, with races, games, and plenty of cheering!

Visits and Visitors

We were fortunate to have a range of enriching visits and visitors this year, which greatly enhanced the children's learning experiences:

Visit to Church and Local Vicar: The children visited the church and were warmly welcomed by Chris, our local vicar, who spoke about the importance of community and kindness.

Farm Nativity Visit: A trip to the farm for a special Nativity performance was a highlight, helping to bring the story of Christmas to life for the children.

Farmer Visit with Lambs and Sheep: The children were thrilled to meet real farm animals, learning about how they are cared for and their role in farming.

Photographer: We welcomed a professional photographer to capture wonderful photos of children

Playdale Farm: The children thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Playdale Farm, where they interacted with various animals and explored the farm environment.

Infant Feeding, Family Diet, and Nutrition Team: The team visited to discuss important topics such as tooth decay prevention and healthy eating habits for young children.

Parent Engagement and Online Support

We also continued our commitment to supporting parents with valuable resources and learning opportunities. This year, we shared several online SALT (Speech and Language Therapy) courses with parents, covering essential topics such as:

Eating and drinking safely

Picky eaters and food avoidance

Stammering support and strategies

These resources helped to empower parents with practical advice and tools to support their children's development at home.

Staff Updates

We have seen some changes in our wonderful staff team this year: Korin Hutton left us in April to take a position closer to home. We are grateful for her contributions and wish her the very best in her new role. Mia Floris joined us in September as an apprentice, and she has quickly become an invaluable member of the team. Karen Magson has continued to provide excellent support as a supply assistant, stepping in wherever needed to ensure smooth operations.

Conclusion

2023/24 has been a fantastic year for our playschool. The children have thrived in an environment that fosters curiosity, creativity, and community spirit. We are deeply grateful to our dedicated staff and committee members, supportive parents, and the local community for their continued support, involvement, and enthusiasm.

After a number of wonderful years I am stepping down as chairperson and so this will be my last report as I prepare to hand over to a new chair, whom I know you will all give a very warm and supportive welcome to. It has been an honour and a privilege to serve in this capacity, watching the playschool grow and flourish while being part of such a supportive and dedicated community. A heartfelt thanks goes to the dedicated team, especially those long serving members Mrs Josie Marshall, Mrs Cathy Cox and to the wonderful Mrs Liz Walker who truly make playschool such a safe and special place for our children to be. Your dedication makes all the difference, and I am truly grateful.

With best wishes

Tom Maxwell

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Maxwell', enclosed within a rectangular box defined by a horizontal line on the left and a vertical line on the right.

Date 14/10/24

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT AND CLIENT APPROVAL CERTIFICATE
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Accountant's Report

In accordance with the instructions given to us we have prepared without carrying out an audit the annexed financial statements from the accounting records of Burniston and Cloughton Playgroup and from information and explanations supplied to us.

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Date: 23 September 2024

Client Approval Certificate

We approve the financial statements and confirm that we have made available all relevant records and information for their preparation.

Signature:

Name: Claire Turnbull - on behalf of Burniston and Cloughton Playgroup

Date: 17 September 2024

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	<u>2024</u>		<u>2023</u>	
	£	£	£	£
Income:				
Fees		11,700		20,659
Funding				
Early Years Entitlement	32,641		22,040	
2 Year Olds	1,124		1,695	
3 and 4 Year Olds	52,731		60,053	
Additional Funding	<u>476</u>		<u>485</u>	
		86,972		84,273
Fundraising and Grants		841		2,271
Bank Interest Received		<u>480</u>		<u>149</u>
		99,993		107,352
Expenses:				
Food and Provisions		2,484		2,754
Equipment and Resources		6,420		6,656
Direct Staff Costs		73,018		66,104
Pensions		413		1,181
Supply Costs		1,418		502
Rent		2,450		2,198
Water Rates		462		376
Gas		737		893
Electricity		1,225		463
Training		625		971
Telephone and Broadband		529		642
Postage		46		15
Insurance		1,280		1,237
Repairs and Renewals		5,680		1,924
Cleaning and Pest Control		2,296		2,431
Computer Expenses		523		238
Miscellaneous		1,696		485
Accountancy and Payroll		978		917
Bank Charges		85		76
Depreciation of Equipment		730		853
Depreciation of Fixtures and Fittings		<u>1,160</u>		<u>718</u>
		(104,255)		(91,634)
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year		<u>(4,262)</u>		<u>15,718</u>

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	<u>2024</u>		<u>2023</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>				
<u>Equipment</u>				
Opening Balance	3,360		1,572	
Additions	3,241		2,641	
Less Depreciation	<u>(730)</u>		<u>(853)</u>	
		5,871		3,360
<u>Fixtures and Fittings</u>				
Opening Balance	6,459		6,885	
Additions	5,135		292	
Less Depreciation	<u>(1,160)</u>		<u>(718)</u>	
		10,434		6,459
 <u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>				
Debtors and Prepayments	1,795		1,625	
Petty Cash Float	100		100	
Bank Current Account	21,836		33,760	
Bank Reserve Account 87695480	30,900		30,480	
Bank Reserve Account 47567309	<u>4,522</u>		<u>4,462</u>	
		59,153		70,427
 <u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>				
Creditors and Accruals	<u>2,832</u>		<u>3,358</u>	
		(2,832)		(3,358)
		<u>72,626</u>		<u>76,888</u>
 <u>RESERVES</u>				
Opening Balance		76,888		61,170
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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Burniston and Cloughton Playgroup**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 3 to 4.

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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act;

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.

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John Richard Flinton ACA FCCA

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