

The Grove Pre School Playgroup (Charity number 1042976) **TAR 2024**

The Grove is a thriving committee run pre-school. The Committee is responsible for running The Grove as a small business. They employ staff, raise funds and ensure the playgroup can continue to provide a service to children and their families in our local community.

The Grove Committee is a voluntary management committee which is a group of people who manage a community service, in this instance the playgroup. The committee is the employer of the staff at The Grove and is legally and financially responsible for the business. Voluntary management is required in order to have charitable status, it ensures the objectives and aims of the setting are met on a 'not for profit' basis. The outcomes for children are the main focus and any profit reinvested back into the setting.

We have continued to fundraise through selling tickets for the Casterbridge Rotary club raffle, in-house Easter raffle and toy sales to raise money to put towards new equipment and toys for the playgroup, we were also given the opportunity again to have a raffle at the craft fair which raised valuable funds. This year we joined our local care home and did a spring raffle.

We continued our visits to our local care home and visited them weekly with the children to take part in activities with their residents, which has been a huge benefit to both children, residents, and staff. Staff at The Grove work well together as a team and provide stimulating activities and opportunities for all the children in our care.

We continue to have a good working relationship with our landlords, Dorset County Hospital. We meet regularly to talk about the development of the Hospital site, and we will remain where we are, they have shown us their future plans for development on the site and they have always been very considerate in including us within these. The NHS is in the process of completing the lease and is looking to be extended for a longer term and this will enable the Preschool to apply for grants to make updates to the Preschool, specifically the outside space.

Works continue on the NHS site behind us, removing former buildings and removing trees and making new access roads and we have been kept up to date throughout.

We take children with 15-hour, 30 hour and 2-year funding. We are a thriving Pre-school Playgroup with a waiting list, and we budget accordingly to ensure sustainability for the future.

Due to changes in childcare funding we took on a new member of staff in April 2024.

All staff remain up to date throughout the year with required training and attend appropriate conferences and training to update their skills and knowledge of the Early Years.

We keep parents up to date through regular emails, termly newsletter and a closed Facebook Page.

We hold new starter open mornings in July and December for children who have been offered a space to start.

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Manager

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Chair

14 March 2025

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Balance Sheet 31 August 2024

	2024		2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Equipment		0		0		0
Current assets						
PAYE and National Insurance	298		2,371		-	
Prepayments	1,560		2,316		1,557	
NatWest current account	40,252		101,902		93,907	
NatWest savings account	208		205		203	
Skipton Building Society	80,001		-		-	
Petty cash	177		177		172	
	<u>122,497</u>		<u>106,971</u>		<u>95,839</u>	
Current liabilities						
Deferred income	14,968		10,669		11,668	
Accruals	1,193		1,133		3,103	
	<u>16,161</u>		<u>11,803</u>		<u>14,771</u>	
Net current assets		106,336		95,168		81,068
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Represented by						
Balance brought forward		95,168		81,068		54,799
Excess/(Deficit) for the year		11,168		14,100		26,269
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Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 August 2024

	2024		2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income						
Local Authority funding	93,145		88,975		95,153	
Fees received	13,407		12,074		11,305	
Sweatshirts and bags	<u>552</u>		<u>323</u>		<u>230</u>	
		107,103		101,372		106,688
Other income						
Rotary raffle	253		-		-	
Craft fair raffle	351		-		-	
Sale of Nursery car	-		-		2,000	
Sponsored slide	-		544		927	
Spring raffle	384		38		151	
Christmas fair	-		-		223	
Spring fair	-		-		14	
Photographs	-		47		-	
Donations	15		80		141	
Car boot grant	-		1,000		-	
Care South donation	-		500		-	
Kingston Maurward raffle	-		350		266	
Amazon Smile	-		118		78	
Toy sale	107		-		165	
Other	79		22		22	
Interest	<u>3</u>		<u>2</u>		<u>-</u>	
		<u>1,192</u>		<u>2,700</u>		<u>3,987</u>
		108,296		104,072		110,675
Playgroup costs						
Wages	80,341		73,108		72,495	
SMP compensation	-		(198)		-	
National Insurance	-		-		351	
Pension contributions	1,351		1,126		1,244	
Educational supplies	2,233		2,295		2,193	
Nursery Car expense	-		-		119	
Training costs	512		476		488	
funding	-		-		(2,000)	
Care South donation spending	-		184		-	
Sweatshirts	969		794		446	
Activity	274		240		140	
Gifts	97		102		214	
Toys and equipment	<u>1,128</u>		<u>2,493</u>		<u>655</u>	
		<u>86,904</u>		<u>80,619</u>		<u>76,345</u>
Carried forward		21,392		23,453		34,330

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Expenditure						
Rent	2,000		2,000		2,000	
Gas	1,249		815		776	
Electricity	1,606		668		716	
Property repairs	124		-		179	
Building insurance	783		757		757	
Waste disposal	372		304		314	
Grounds maintenance	623		1,297		-	
Telephone	590		635		614	
Postage	5		-		4	
Stationery	60		428		330	
Website	109		96		80	
Insurance	832		802		784	
Repairs and renewals	521		725		327	
Software	121		63		151	
Subscriptions	212		221		187	
Sundry expenses	590		212		368	
Accountancy	428		331		258	
Legal fees	-		-		216	
		<u>10,224</u>		<u>9,353</u>		<u>8,061</u>
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