

# MICKLE TRAFFORD PRE-SCHOOL

England & Wales · Charity number 1046551

## Details

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Other names	MICKLE TRAFFORD UNDER FIVES PLAYGROUP, MICKLE TRAFFORD PRESCHOOL
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1995-05-19
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE AIMS OF THE PRE-SCHOOL ARE TO ENHANCE THE DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN PRIMARILY UNDER STATUTORY SCHOOL AGE BY ENCOURAGING PARENTS TO UNDERSTAND AND PROVIDE FOR THE NEEDS OF THEIR CHILDREN THROUGH COMMUNITY GROUPS AND BY:(A) OFFERING APPROPRIATE PLAY, EDUCATION AND CARE FACILITIES, FAMILY LEARNING AND EXTENDED HOURS GROUPS, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT OF PARENTS TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THE ACTIVITIES OF SUCH GROUPS, ENSURING THAT SUCH GROUPS OFFER OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL CHILDREN WHATEVER THEIR RACE, CULTURE, RELIGION, MEANS OR ABILITY;(B) ENCOURAGING THE STUDY OF THE NEEDS OF SUCH CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES AND PROMOTING PUBLIC INTEREST IN AND RECOGNITION OF SUCH NEEDS IN THE LOCAL AREAS;(C) INSTIGATING AND ADHERING TO AND FURTHERING THE AIMS AND OBJECTS OF THE PRE-SCHOOL LEARNING ALLIANCE.

**Activities:** Provides day care for young pre school age children

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

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- Cheshire West & Chester

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£697	£60	-	-
2024-08-31	£724	£60	-	-
2023-08-31	£6,673	£3,155	-	-
2022-08-31	£70,290	£103,055	-	-
2021-08-31	£70,499	£76,803	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Katherine Linford</b>	Chair	2015-09-16
Alexis Draper		2021-10-12
Christine Siddons		2022-04-16
Katey Massey		2022-02-16
Laura Jane Oulton		2020-10-14
Lucy Allwood		2021-10-12
Thomas Alexander William Oulton		2020-10-14

**MICKLE TRAFFORD PRE-SCHOOL**

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From Period start date 01/09/21

To Period end date 31/08/22

Charity name: MICKLE TRAFFORD PRE SCHOOL

Charity registration number: 1046551

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>To deliver minimum OFSTED standards or above and follow Early Years Foundation Programme while enhancing the development and education of children under statutory school age.</b>
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	
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

## 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><b>Continued to enhance experience of children and parent/carers through continuing improved communication and structured sharing of children's EYFS development.</b></p> <p><b>Continued to have a strong committee who are well informed through regular meetings and participation.</b></p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>The Committee was successful in raising enough funds to replace the roof.</b>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>21/22 was a financially difficult year. The charity made a loss but had reserves to cover this but finances were eroded to the point of decisions being taken regarding the long term future of the Preschool. Income suffered due to inflation, wage increases, unacceptably low funding rates and demand for services below usual expectations.</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Reserves were maintained to cover commitments in case of financial failure.</b>  <b>Any other reserves are used to enhance facilities – toys, equipment and building maintenance in compliance with relevant Governance.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£27,659.09</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>N/A</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>N/A</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>Following the reduced income in 21/22, the Committee reviewed the anticipated income/expenditure/liabilities in 22/23 and it became clear that it was no longer viable for the Preschool to operate independently. The Committee liaised with the Early Years Alliance and agreed that the assets would be sold to a private provider who would take over the operations and also the staff. This was completed and they commenced operations in September 2022.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<b>Fees were from parent and local government free entitlement, fundraising and adjoining room hire.</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<b>N/A</b>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>The charity will be wound up once the Committee is satisfied that there are no outstanding financial liabilities. Any remaining monies will be distributed in accordance with the constitution and in agreement with the Early Years Alliance/Charity Commission.</b>

Other		
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## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>PLA 2011 Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>TRUST</b>
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	<b>Appointed by voluntary Management Committee</b>

### 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	<b>We were a member of the Early Years Alliance and complied with their most recent policies and procedures</b>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<b>Preschool was reviewed by OFSTED periodically to ensure required standards were maintained</b>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	MICKLE TRAFFORD PRE SCHOOL
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1046551
Charity's principal address	School Lane Mickle Trafford Chester CH2 4EF

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Kate Linford	Chair		
2	Laura Oulton	Treasurer		
3	Thomas Oulton	Committee Member		
4	Jonathan Linford	Committee Member	Resigned 12/10/2021	
5	Alexis Draper	Committee Member	Appointed 12/10/21	
6	Christine Siddons	Committee Member	Appointed 12/10/21	
7	Katey Massey	Committee Member	Appointed 16/2/22	
8	Lucy Allwood	Committee Member	Appointed 16/2/22	
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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### 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:

<b>Signature(s)</b>	Kate Linford	
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Kate Linford	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair	
<b>Date</b>	17/04/2023	

**MICKLE TRAFFORD PRESCHOOL, MICKLE TRAFFORD, CHESTER CH214F**  
**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022**

**INCOME**

CWAC NEG GRANT	42,951.80	
USE OF COMMUNITY ROOM	1,025.00	
FEES PAID BY PARENTS	16,961.82	
FEES VOUCHER	4,033.48	
GRANTS	2,500.00	
MISC	10.00	
DONATIONS	16.30	
INTEREST	7.63	67,506.03

**FUNDRAISING**

XMAS CARDS/DVDS/PHOTOS	1,676.97	
OTHER DONATIONS AND FUNDRAISING	1,036.80	
RECYCLED UNIFORM/CLOTHES	70.00	<u>2,783.77</u>

**TOTAL INCOME**

70,289.80

**EXPENDITURE**

RENT	1,000.00
STAFF COSTS	67,612.31
LICENCING & REGISTRATIONS	1,195.61
MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS	18,271.28
SERVICES & RUNNING COSTS	9,779.71
EQUIPMENT & SETTING PROVISIONS	3,254.94
ACCOUNTANCY FEES	144.00
INSURANCES	579.19
PRINTING, POSTAGE & STATIONERY	860.72
UNIFORM	357.00

**TOTAL EXPENDITURE**

103,054.76

**NET SURPLUS/DEFICIT**

- 32,764.96

BALANCE B/FWD

68,726.06

BALANCE C/FWD

35,961.10

**BALANCE SHEET**

**ASSETS - CASH AT BANK**

CURRENT ACCOUNT	9,502.01
FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT	-
COMMUNITY ACCOUNT	-
PETTY CASH	-
	9,502.01

**CURRENT LIABILITIES**

ACCURALS	1,200.00	8,302.01
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**RESERVES**

RESERVE ACCOUNT		27,659.09
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35,961.10



**Section A Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/directors/members of**

Charity Name  
MICKLE TRAFFORD PRE SCHOOL

**On accounts for the year ended**

31.08.2022

<b>Charity no.:</b>	1046551	<b>Company no.:</b>	
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**Set out on pages**

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31/08/2022

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

[The company's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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: 3.4.2023

Name: DAVID MEACHER-JONES

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

F.C.A

Address:

MEACHER-JONES CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

6 ST JOHNS COURT, VICARS LANE, CHESTER

CHESHIRE, CH11QE

## 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.

**MICKLE TRAFFORD PRE-SCHOOL**

England & Wales - Charity number 1046551

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# Accounts

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To Period end date 31/08/21

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Charity registration number: 1046551

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### Additional information (optional)

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Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>20/21 has been a financially uncertain year due to the impact of the Coronavirus. The charity made a loss but had reserves to cover this. The main impact due to the pandemic has been felt this year and continues to drain 21/22 as income has suffered and demand for services below usual expectations.</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Reserves are maintained to cover commitments in case of financial failure.</b>  <b>Any other reserves are used to enhance facilities – toys, equipment and building maintenance in compliance with relevant Governance.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£30,278</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>N/A</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>N/A</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>Income has suffered and the Committee will be reviewing financial viability in 21/22 dependent on performance.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<b>Fees from parent and local government free entitlement, fundraising and adjoining room hire.</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<b>N/A</b>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>Costs/wages increasing faster than the Government childcare funding rates which places increasing pressure on income. The Committee can introduce additional charges should the need arise however these are voluntary and parents may opt not to pay. Falling birth rate and changes in working patterns affect the numbers of children requiring Preschool style childcare. Closure due to lack of income.</b>
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>PLA 2011 Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>TRUST</b>
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	<b>Appointed by voluntary Management Committee</b>

### 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	<b>We are a member of the Early Years Alliance and comply with their most recent policies and procedures</b>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<b>Reviewed by OFSTED periodically to ensure required standards are maintained</b>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	MICKLE TRAFFORD PRE SCHOOL
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1046551
Charity's principal address	School Lane Mickle Trafford Chester CH2 4EF

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Kate Linford	Chair		
2	Rob Kinder	Secretary	Resigned 14/10/20	
3	Laura Oulton	Treasurer		
4	Thomas Oulton	Committee Member		
5	Jonathan Linford	Committee Member		
6	Lyndsey McCallion	Committee Member / Setting Manager	Resigned from Committee 19/4/22	
7	Robynne Wadsworth	Committee Member	Resigned 14/10/20	
8	Caitlin Phillips	Committee Member / Setting Manager	Resigned 14/10/20	
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10	Alexis Draper	Committee Member	Appointed 12/10/21	
11	Christine Siddons	Committee Member	Appointed 12/10/21	
12	Katey Massey	Committee Member	Appointed 16/2/22	
13	Lucy Allwood	Committee Member	Appointed 16/2/22	

**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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### 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:

<b>Signature(s)</b>	Kate Linford	
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Kate Linford	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair	
<b>Date</b>	20/05/2022	

**MICKLE TRAFFORD PRESCHOOL, MICKLE TRAFFORD , CHESTER CH214F**  
**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2021**

**INCOME**

CWAC NEG GRANT	53,191.00	
USE OF COMMUNITY ROOM	45.00	
FEES PAID BY PARENTS	9,373.00	
GRANTS	6,938.00	
MILK REFUND	4.00	
DONATIONS	115.00	
INTEREST	3.00	69,669.00

**FUNDRAISING**

XMAS CARDS/DVDS/PHOTOS	415.00	
OTHER DONATIONS AND FUNDRAISING	360.00	
RECYCLED UNIFORM/CLOTHES	55.00	<u>830.00</u>

**TOTAL INCOME** 70,499.00

**EXPENDITURE**

RENT	1,000.00
STAFF COSTS	60,852.00
LICENCING & REGISTRATIONS	1,856.00
MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS	3,837.00
SERVICES & RUNNING COSTS	4,756.00
PPE/CLEANING MATERIALS	1,256.00
EQUIPMENT & SETTING PROVISIONS	1,347.00
ACCOUNTANCY FEES	120.00
INSURANCES	1,265.00
PRINTING, POSTAGE & STATIONERY	489.00
UNIFORM	25.00

**TOTAL EXPENDITURE** 76,803.00

**NET SURPLUS/DEFICIT** - 6,304.00

BALANCE B/FWD 75,030.00

BALANCE C/FWD 68,726.00

**BALANCE SHEET**

**ASSETS - CASH AT BANK**

CURRENT ACCOUNT	31,538.00
FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT	5,546.00
COMMUNITY ACCOUNT	2,554.00
PETTY CASH	10.00
	39,648.00

**CURRENT LIABILITIES**

ACCURALS 1,200.00 38,448.00

**RESERVES**

RESERVE ACCOUNT 30,278.00

68,726.00



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name

MICKLE TRAFFORD PRE SCHOOL

On accounts for the year ended

31.08.2021

Charity no (if any)

1046551

Set out on pages

(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 31/08/2021

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 (other than that disclosed below \*) 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

5.5.2022

Name:

DAVID MEACHER-JONES

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

F.C.A

Address:

MEACHER-JONES CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS  
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CHESTER, CH1 1QE