

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1049791

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 August 2021
for
Ashton Vale Pre-School

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for the Year Ended 31 August 2021

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 August 2021

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

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.

Provide day care for children from the age of two to school age within Ashton Vale community. Operates in accordance with Ofsted and other regulatory offices and provides a curriculum based on early years foundation stage.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

Staff & Apprentices

The Pre-School has seen a higher than normal change in personnel during September 2020 and August 2021. Having all worked successfully through the pandemic some practitioners felt it was time to move on. We said farewell to one of our playgroup Senior Leads at the end of March 2021. She had been with us for 7 years since completing her childcare qualification at college. Her new role takes her into a different area: caring for children and young adults with mental health issues. We were fortunate to recruit a practitioner with similar experience who joined us during our Easter holiday club and has fitted in well with the playgroup team.

We said goodbye to our playgroup support assistant, who also left at the end of March 2021 to take up a nursing post at the Bristol Children's Hospital. Again, we were fortunate to recruit a young person who wanted to pursue a career in early years and we are pleased that she has signed up to the Best Practice Network Apprenticeship scheme to complete her Level 3 Early Years Educator course.

We were able to offer work experience to a student from a local Secondary school during the last week of term 6 and the first few days of the summer holiday club 2021. She was initially due to attend during June 2020, but we couldn't take her on due to Covid-19 restrictions. It was lovely to meet up with the student again as had attended the Pre-School herself some 13 years earlier.

Another member of the playgroup team left us at the end of August 2021 to take up a teaching assistant role in a local primary school. She has since been replaced with an ex-parent and trustee and is taking on an apprenticeship with Best Practice to complete her Level 3 Early Years Educator qualification.

It has been an exceptionally hard year for everyone involved with the Pre-School, but we are very proud that we have remained open, providing care, and learning for the entire year from 1st September 2020 to 31st August 2021 for all the children on roll with no closures due to isolation or Covid-19 outbreaks. The staff achieved something that very few other educational settings were able to do.

A big thank you to our parents who have also been brilliant, adhering to our risk assessments, Covid-19 measures and the support they have given to our staff team

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Events and outings for the year

November

Children in Need - Practitioners organised fun events during the week alongside the more serious issues of the meaning of Children in Need. One of the days the children came in dressed up for 'Children in Need' and donated £1.00 to the cause. this raised a total of £57.15.

Photographer - Our professional photographers from Jefferson studios visited us again but with restrictions in place, however they still donated £75.00 to us.

December

Christmas Productions -This year we performed for the video camera. Playgroup were able to perform a lovely Christmas concert outside, with a Christmas tree and twinkling lights, this was recorded and sent out to all of the playgroup parents.

Nursery were unlucky with the weather so swapped the outdoors for indoors and performed in the Church, again the performance was videoed for parents.

Both productions were fortunate to have a visit from Father Christmas and Snowy the snowman and all children were presented with a Christmas wrapped picture book.

Christmas Party - We were able to provide an in-house Christmas lunch and a bubble 'wrapped' 'big Christmas party', we cooked a Christmas dinner for all the children and provided entertainment in the Pre-School.

March

Children's Book Week - The children enjoyed lots of activities focused on their favourite books.

Annual Fundraiser:

All the children were invited to take part in our sponsored 25 challenges, a big breakfast, and a fun 'Fitness Session'. We were fortunate yet again to secure a PMC member who gave the children a wonderful work out and made the event brilliant. The challenges proved very popular, 10 set by the Pre-School, 10 set by the key person and 5 to do at home with the family. This year we raised a massive £1,885.50 and donated £651.88 to Comic Relief.

July

We were able to take our nursery children on a fantastic day trip to Bristol Zoo. It was a lovely day out. We used a coach this year to transport the children to the zoo and parents were asked to pick them up at home time. We adhered to the social distancing measures in place at the zoo and the children, yet again, were brilliant.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Parents were invited to an outdoor leaver's ceremony where the children performed songs before receiving their final learning journeys, Bookstart gift and the much-loved Beat Baby, as well as a 'hug' from their key person.

The playgroup children received their learning journeys in their new book bags and a beautiful sunflower pack to plant at home, as well as a hug.

It was an emotional occasion as we all realised just what a time, we had been through but for the children it was just another day.

The year was completed with a farewell party, with the children enjoying, pizza and pasta, jelly and ice cream and lots of fun.

Holiday Clubs throughout the year have continued to be very popular. We ran the clubs in October 2020, December 2020, February 2021, Easter 2021, July & August 2021.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Fundraising activities

A total of £2,565.71 was raised for the Pre-School this year and £937.80 spent, bringing the total in the account at £6,692.25 which will be used for future specific projects.

Social distancing guidelines made many fundraising events difficult to hold such as Christmas parties, so the PMC held a raffle in November instead helped by some very generous prize donations from parents which raised £293.00.

In June the PMC hosted a Family Fun Day at the local playing fields with the support of the staff. It was very well attended, and the children had chance to play some games, meet some special mascots, have their faces painted and buy ice-creams from an ice-cream van that attended. Bar-b-que food was provided by the PMC who also held a raffle and although the event was more of a social get together rather than a fundraising event, they still raised £26.29.

New equipment

This year the Pre-School has purchased lots of new resources this included:

- " Imaginative Play - On the Move
- " An Outdoor Investigation Table
- " Stories - On the Move Kit
- " Mats - On the Move Kit
- " Match & Measure Bones and Cards Set
- " Early Maths Progress Pack
- " Early Literacy Progress Pack
- " BIO Sand Set
- " Tables and chairs

Outside we have two Canopy areas which have always had plastic curtains to keep them dry and warm. This year we looked into replacing the curtains with purpose made glass doors/windows and this has made a huge difference to the environment. We now have a light, warm and dry side canopy which looks so much cleaner and professional than before.

The playground canopy has been partitioned so that again it offers a light, warm and dry outdoor classroom that can be used in all weather by a small group for a more structured outdoor experience.

The new tables and chairs have ensured that staff no longer have to move things weekly across the setting and outside. Each zoned area is fully equipped with enough chairs and tables for each group to use and they can be moved or put away to give extra space when needed.

The PMC agreed to all of the new resources & changes and the Pre-school has yet again been transformed! The children and practitioners are enjoying using the new areas and having the extra on the move kits to enhance the children's learning

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Ofsted Inspection - 26.09.2017

The Pre-School received a 'Good' outcome when they were inspected by Ofsted in September 2017 and wonderful comments regarding leadership, practitioners and the children, well done to all concerned.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Quality Assurance

It has been good to see the Quality Assurance plans put into place during the year and all practitioners were involved in assessing and monitoring the targets set during lockdown as well as going forward with the new pathway for September 2021. We were awarded the Bristol Standard again in July 2021 and we are very proud of the comments we received:

'The validation panel felt that congratulations are in order on maintaining your good practice during the Covid 19 pandemic. We really liked seeing your families being involved in a variety of ways and how you give children's voice such a strong importance in your setting. You manage to involve all parents and work collaboratively with every family. We felt that you have an authentic commitment to ensuring inclusive practice. Throughout your submission we were struck by your reflective approach to solving problems and keeping the child at the heart of all you do. We really noticed that your play and learning experiences had breadth and depth. We can feel that your setting is an essential part of your community and can see children have rich learning experiences with you. We look forward to hearing more about your 'Walking to School' initiative in your next submission.'

Partnership Working

The Pre-School have continued their excellent partnership with the community, the Church, local schools, and outside agencies. Whilst much of our meetings with outside agencies were carried out via zoom/Microsoft team we were able to maintain a semblance of normality.

This year we were able to offer transition sessions to Primary School Reception teachers - inviting them into the setting. The children were unable to go into their new schools, so we yet again used the school's websites to deliver information and share a story with the reception teachers.

We did however run a very successful transition program for our playgroup children attending our nursery class in September 2021. We ran 4 morning sessions so that the children had a great time meeting their new groups and key person.

The Church members and the Pre-School have been working together to look at the future of both organisations in using the Church buildings. The Church have asked that we no longer use the Church area from September 2022 so we are in the process of looking at how best we can utilise the other rooms and outside area to ensure we maintain the registration numbers needed to offer the community a sustainable Pre-School. It will be a challenging year in 2021 - 2022 but we are hoping the outcomes will be a positive new chapter for the Pre-School.

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Report of the Trustees

for the Year Ended 31 August 2021

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1049791

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Trustees

L Lawrence
K Cox
L Moore
H Branson
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S Smith
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L Barrett (resigned 31.12.20)

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COVID 19

Note from the PMC - We are all so proud and thankful for how the Pre-School adapted to Covid life and stayed open to support families at such a difficult time. The commitment from all Pre-School staff to ensure they kept Pre-School as normal as possible for all children attending has been outstanding. Whilst so many other industries closed, these girls worked harder than ever to bring smiles, safety and achievements to not only the children, but their families as well! Even when children were not able to attend the setting at the early stages of lock down, the Pre-School still went above and beyond to keep contact with all families, guide learning and development virtually and just be there for someone to talk to when life had changed so much. Overall, the Pre-school was there to care and protect everyone, so a big thank you once again!

The PMC completed one Zoom meeting and then 'socially distanced' meetings once this was allowed. Lynne kept us up to date via email with any changes within the Pre-school, such as the Covid policy and staffing changes. We were able to discuss and agree/disagree to anything via our private WhatsApp group.

The 'virtual' raffle was a success and it was humbling once again to see how generous parents are, it was a great way to raise money and have a bit of fun for Christmas (which was much needed after the year we all had). Then to finish off the year it was fantastic to be able to plan and deliver a super 'family fun day' in the sunshine! We were amazed to see so many families and friends turn out for BBQ food, raffle prizes, face paints, glitter tattoos, mascots and sport day activities. Then of course an ice cream to finish with and cool down! Thank you as well to all the PMC and everyone who made the event possible!

We are all looking forward to Yr. 2021-2022 and supporting the Pre-school once again. There will be more opportunities to host fundraising activities and social events. We are already looking to plan a Christmas disco and work with the community centre to offer bake sales once again. Some members of the committee will be leaving in January 2022; therefore we are already promoting the roles within the PMC which will need filling. It will be great to see new faces, even if they would like to support at events, find out more about the Pre-school and make some new friends.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on16.2.22..... and signed on its behalf by:



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L Lawrence - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Ashton Vale Pre-School

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Ashton Vale Pre-School

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Ashton Vale Pre-School (the Trust) for the year ended 31 August 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of ICAEW which is one of the listed bodies.

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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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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Date: *7 March 2022*

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 August 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.8.21 Total funds £	31.8.20 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		266,435	-	266,435	290,207
Other trading activities	2	<u>14,653</u>	<u>2,566</u>	<u>17,219</u>	<u>10,352</u>
Total		281,088	2,566	283,654	300,559
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	3	<u>266,964</u>	<u>938</u>	<u>267,902</u>	<u>264,928</u>
NET INCOME		14,124	1,628	15,752	35,631
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>175,159</u>	<u>5,064</u>	<u>180,223</u>	<u>144,592</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>189,283</u></u>	<u><u>6,692</u></u>	<u><u>195,975</u></u>	<u><u>180,223</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Statement of Financial Position
31 August 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.8.21 Total funds £	31.8.20 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		189,283	6,692	195,975	180,223
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>189,283</u>	<u>6,692</u>	<u>195,975</u>	<u>180,223</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>189,283</u>	<u>6,692</u>	<u>195,975</u>	<u>180,223</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>189,283</u>	<u>6,692</u>	<u>195,975</u>	<u>180,223</u>
FUNDS	7				
Unrestricted funds				189,283	175,159
Restricted funds				<u>6,692</u>	<u>5,064</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>195,975</u>	<u>180,223</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 16.2.22 and were signed on its behalf by:



.....
L Lawrence - Trustee



.....
L Moore - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.8.21	31.8.20
	£	£
Fundraising events	3,849	1,904
Holiday club	9,616	6,404
Other income	<u>3,754</u>	<u>2,044</u>
	<u>17,219</u>	<u>10,352</u>

3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31.8.21	31.8.20
	£	£
Staff costs	212,751	203,169
Premises costs	16,310	14,864
Membership and Insurance	3,092	3,633
Telephone and internet	656	619
Consumables	4,747	3,368
Fees refunds	477	999
Support costs	<u>28,931</u>	<u>38,003</u>
	<u>266,964</u>	<u>264,655</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 August 2021 nor for the year ended 31 August 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 August 2021 nor for the year ended 31 August 2020.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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5. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

Teaching and schooling	31.8.21 13	31.8.20 11
Administration	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	<u>14</u>	<u>12</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	290,207	-	290,207
Other trading activities	<u>9,094</u>	<u>1,258</u>	<u>10,352</u>
Total	299,301	1,258	300,559
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	<u>264,655</u>	<u>273</u>	<u>264,928</u>
NET INCOME	34,646	985	35,631
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>140,513</u>	<u>4,079</u>	<u>144,592</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>175,159</u>	<u>5,064</u>	<u>180,223</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.9.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.8.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	175,159	14,124	189,283
Restricted funds			
Fundraising	5,064	1,628	6,692
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>180,223</u>	<u>15,752</u>	<u>195,975</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	281,088	(266,964)	14,124
Restricted funds			
Fundraising	2,566	(938)	1,628
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>283,654</u>	<u>(267,902)</u>	<u>15,752</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.9.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.8.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	140,513	34,646	175,159
Restricted funds			
Fundraising	4,079	985	5,064
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>144,592</u>	<u>35,631</u>	<u>180,223</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	299,301	(264,655)	34,646
Restricted funds			
Fundraising	1,258	(273)	985
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>300,559</u>	<u>(264,928)</u>	<u>35,631</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.9.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.8.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	140,513	48,770	189,283
Restricted funds			
Fundraising	4,079	2,613	6,692
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>144,592</u>	<u>51,383</u>	<u>195,975</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	580,389	(531,619)	48,770
Restricted funds			
Fundraising	3,824	(1,211)	2,613
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>584,213</u>	<u>(532,830)</u>	<u>51,383</u>

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 August 2021.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 August 2021

	31.8.21 £	31.8.20 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	2,177	1,661
Fees received from parents	33,908	28,120
EYSFF Funding	229,794	260,009
Uniform Orders	556	217
Supply cover/ training	-	200
	<u>266,435</u>	<u>290,207</u>
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	3,849	1,904
Holiday club	9,616	6,404
Other income	<u>3,754</u>	<u>2,044</u>
	<u>17,219</u>	<u>10,352</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>283,654</u>	<u>300,559</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Wages	212,751	203,169
Premises costs	16,310	14,864
Membership and Insurance	3,092	3,633
Telephone and internet	656	619
Consumables	4,747	3,368
Fees refunds	<u>477</u>	<u>999</u>
	<u>238,033</u>	<u>226,652</u>
Other trading activities		
Fundraising costs	938	273

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 August 2021

	31.8.21 £	31.8.20 £
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Other expenditure	11,133	27,493
Equipment and resources	15,879	9,228
Petty cash expenses	<u>1,919</u>	<u>1,282</u>
	<u>28,931</u>	<u>38,003</u>
 Total resources expended	 <u>267,902</u>	 <u>264,928</u>
 Net income	 <u><u>15,752</u></u>	 <u><u>35,631</u></u>

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