

## **WHITEWELL BOTTOM PRE-SCHOOL**

### **REPORT MARCH 2021**

I would like to start this report by thanking all the staff and committee for their hard work in what has been a very challenging time. In January we once again went into a national lockdown. Although the Prime Minister made a decision to keep Early Years settings open throughout for all children, most of our parents decided not to send them. As there would only be a maximum of 9 children attending different sessions, a decision was made to open Pre-school 3 days per week so no child would have to attend on their own and this would also cut our rent costs. This was made in discussion with our Early Years consultant and the Funding team at LCC. At the time we had 22 children on role. 13 on government funding and 9 on contracted hours. Although we were told the government would still release payment for the children on government funding we would still lose the contracted hours and top up payments of the funded children. At this point Pre-school was still running at a loss and our ring fenced funds were diminishing very quickly. Parents of funded children could bank their hours until they were ready for their children to return. By only opening 3 days it also meant staff could bank hours to be used once all the children returned.

On the Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April all children returned following the Government announcement that all schools would be re-opening. It has been very hectic but they have all had great fun celebrating Mother's day and Easter and our new children have been settling in well. They have been spending a lot of time outdoors making good use of our new outdoor classrooms. Once the nice weather arrives Pre-school will be outdoors most of the time.

When we return after the Easter holidays all funded children who banked hours will be using them to attend fulltime 30 hours instead of 15 hours. There will be no additional funding to cover this as we received funding for this in January, technically the funding paid in January is to cover the costs from after Easter. Staff will be using their banked hours so additional staff costs can be kept to a minimum.

In February we received a top up payment from the Government due to the lack of parents taking up nursery places. This has helped us to replenish some of our ring fenced funding but we are still not quite there yet. The ring fenced funding is needed as a top up for the autumn term when we are considerably quiet due to a lot of our children moving onto school. It is also needed to sustain us until we receive the government funding. We need 8 weeks running costs until the funding comes through. This is the same every term due to the way we are paid by LCC. (We continue to fight to get this changed)

I have been working from home since January as I'm shielding once again, but I'm happy to say I've had my first covid injection and a talk with my consultant, and we have come to an agreement that I can return to work from 12<sup>th</sup> April. All members of staff are now carrying out Lateral flow tests twice a week at home and they are logged on the government test and trace app and also at Pre-school. These are now delivered directly to

Pre-school. We have also had a delivery of face masks and are waiting for a one off payment from the DFE for other PPE.

I have had our annual Early Years audit with our LCC consultant Judith Halton. She is really pleased with the way we have handled the pandemic and is happy with everything we are continuing to do. She has advised we carry out an outdoor learning environment audit. She has sent out the audit for all staff to complete together and I'm going to arrange a personalised training day for us all in our own outdoor environment. With the new curriculum coming into effect in September, one of the main changes is children having access to equipment. We struggle with this as we don't really have much space for storage which the children can access independently. We also discussed the new EYFS curriculum and the new Ofsted descriptors for the way they are carrying out inspections. We are all booked on training for this and, whilst most training has been online we have all completed lots of training at a reduced cost, which has been fantastic.

On a positive note we have 24 children attending Pre-school after the Easter holiday's which is fantastic news. Due to bubbles having to be kept below 20 if possible it means we are almost full. 10 of our children will move onto school in September so we will have places available from then.

Thank you for your continued support

Carmen Carlton

Pre-school Manager





CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Whitewell PreSchool Group

No (if any)  
1055538

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/01/2021		31/12/2021

### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Nursery Fees	10,213	-	-	10,213	6,350
LCC - Nursery Vouchers	69,734	-	-	69,734	55,639
Income - Fund raising activities	-	-	-	-	-
Dept of Health - Milk	-	-	-	-	368
Donations	-	-	-	-	-
Bank interest received	60	-	-	60	184
Grants received	500	-	-	500	13,620
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>80,506</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>80,506</b>	<b>76,161</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>80,506</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>80,506</b>	<b>76,161</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Wage costs	55,153	-	-	55,153	57,783
Training costs	623	-	-	623	393
Educational resources	2,475	-	-	2,475	3,806
Rent	5,640	-	-	5,640	3,270
Postage, stationery and telephone	1,805	-	-	1,805	1,438
Computer expenses	148	-	-	148	615
Repairs	1,437	-	-	1,437	7,975
Insurance	707	-	-	707	621
Refreshments	-	-	-	-	22
Professional fees	3,352	-	-	3,352	3,297
Membership fees	85	-	-	85	85
Accountants	-	-	-	-	35
Sundry	235	-	-	235	331
Bank charges	58	-	-	58	71
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>71,717</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>71,717</b>	<b>79,741</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>71,717</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>71,717</b>	<b>79,741</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>8,789</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,789</b>	<b>- 3,581</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>19,274</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,274</b>	<b>22,855</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>28,063</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,063</b>	<b>19,274</b>



## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Bank Account - Current	11,597	-	-
	Bank Account - Deposit	16,415	-	-
	Petty Cash	51	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>28,063</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>M. Goffee</i>	J. GOFFEE	18/7/22
<i>A. Robertson</i>	A. ROBERTSON	18/7/22



Signed  
copy  
for  
Charities  
committee



**LUMB ACCOUNTANCY SERVICES**

Chartered Certified Accountants

**WHITEWELL PRESCHOOL GROUP, WHITEWELL BOTTOM, ROSSENDALE**

**Independent examiner's report to the members/trustees of Whitewell PreSchool Group, Whitewell Bottom, Rossendale.**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Whitewell PreSchool Group for the year ended 31 December 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 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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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