



## **Georges Playgroup**

### **Trustees annual report for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021**

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity, for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021.

**Registered charity name:** St Georges Playgroup

**Charity registration number:** 1061202

**Principal Office:** Georges Playgroup,  
Harewood Infant School,  
Harewood Close,  
Tuffley,  
Gloucestershire,  
GL4 0SS

**Trustees:** Carmine Maietta  
Alexandra Wallington  
Natasha Grange  
Lucja Furczon  
Sarah Robins

### **Objectives and Activities:**

Georges Playgroup provides quality Early Years Education and personal development for children aged 2 years to school age, for the Tuffley, Kingsway and Quedgeley area. The playgroup caters for all socio-economic backgrounds and helps a diverse range of families. As a team our main object is to aid the development of the unique child and ensure each child develops through their interest in a challenging environment. Furthermore, we help signpost support for families and vulnerable children in our care.

The charity has been focusing to provide affordable and quality childcare for the local community. We have ensured our fee structure has been accessible to all families and helped families in need of support, to gain funding. We have pushed to promote the Playgroup and brought in local community businesses to aid in the children's understanding and development of the area around them, such as the fire brigade, dentists etc.

This financial year our activities have focused on the new EYFS and developing our continuous provision for the children. We want to make sure we are providing the best environment and experience for children that is accessible to all children in our care. We have had to adapt during COVID to new health and safety pressures, plus the emotional impact on both parents and children. We want to allow families the chance to reengage with us as a setting and work in partnership with them in the development of their children.

### **Our Purpose:**

The purpose of the charity is to provide a safe and stimulating environment for children, to allow them to learn and play at their own independent rate. Our key purpose is to aid children to learn through play and by interacting with the world around them. Our strategy to aid the local community as a whole, is to improve the outcomes of the children in our care and help them become valued citizens.

We are very lucky to be situated on the ground of the local primary school and this allows us to provide the easiest transition for the children in our care. By working closely with the Primary school, each child is well prepared for their next step into school. We work with children and parents to enable them to be confident and secure in their movement to a different setting, where ever this may be.

### **Achievements and Performance:**

During this financial year, we have increased our fundraising but it is still lower due to pandemic guidelines. This has meant we have focused more on grants and other sources of income than usual. There has also been a focus on making sure the playgroup can remain financially stable to keep us open during this uncertain time and bring in further children to secure the future of the sessions.

We have managed to focus on planning and making sure all staff are continually developing and progressing. The playgroup has been able to fund extra training through Pupil Premium and Deprivation to allow for training such as Makaton. We have a higher number of children with EAL and SEN and there for have focused on interactions and environment as our area of development.

### **Our plans for the future:**

Our main focus for the next academic year, is to keep expanding the number of children coming to the setting and our reach in the community. Furthermore, we want to focus on making the playgroup a more natural holistic environment, to encourage calm and creativity. We hope to be able to purchase new resources that are open ended and neutral. We

have now got an extended Friday session; this has allowed more parents with work demands to access our setting as their child can stay for longer. The extended session has allowed the children to experience having lunch with us and prolonged learning and development. We have been able to extend these sessions with the current staffing but may need additional staff progressing ahead.

We always need to adapt to the needs of the community and these extended sessions was one way to adapt. The committee was all in agreement that it would aid parents with childcare needs and support children in their progress to school.

### **Management Committee:**

Our committee is made up of parents of children within our care, local community members and professionals. The committee is elected at an AGM held in September and is governed by constitution, which is reviewed annually. New committee members are recruited by coffee mornings with the current committee, newsletters and discussions with parents.

### **Financial Position:**

Our accounts show cash funds at the end of the financial year of £24,594, with an income of £57,370 and an expenditure of £62,523 for the year. Our focus next year will be decreasing expenditure to balance our financial position.

Georges playgroup operates a reserves policy to ensure sufficient funds are available, to cover any wind up costs and any requirements of this policy at any time.

We are still implemented tighter financial controls to ensure only necessary spending for the playgroup. Furthermore, we have looked at increasing the session charge and snack donations which may need to be implemented next year.

### **Conclusive Summary:**

Georges playgroup is continually developing our provision for children and still believes we are offering affordable child care for children in our care. We are working with local families to provide what is needed during this challenging time. We continue to monitor our finances strictly to ensure the future of Georges. We have a very supportive committee that has helped us through this challenging time and has guided us through this financial period.

The trustees confirm they have due regard to guidance produced by the charity commission's benefit requirement statutory guidance.

**Signed:**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carmine Maietta', written over a horizontal line.

Carmine Maietta  
(Chairperson)



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

GEORGES PLAYGROUP (TUFFLEY)

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 AUGUST 2021

Charity no  
(if any)

1061202

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity (~~"the Trust"~~) for the year ended

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").

Independent  
examiner's statement

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.

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
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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.

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Signed:

*L Pinder*

Date:

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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Georges Playgroup (Tuffley)

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

01/09/2020

To

31/08/2021

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Playgroup Fees	7,059	-	-	7,059	5,708
Less Refund	-	-	-	-	344
GCC - Early Education Funding	44,419	-	-	44,419	35,558
Fundraising	1,062	-	-	1,062	160
Other	-	-	-	-	500
GCC Grant	3,769	-	-	3,769	10,000
HMRC - JRS Grant	1,059	-	-	1,059	3,411
Interest	2	-	-	2	2
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>57,370</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>57,370</b>	<b>54,995</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>57,370</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>57,370</b>	<b>54,995</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Salaries	45,287	-	-	45,287	43,036
NI & PAYE	2,962	-	-	2,962	5,161
Agency Staff	-	-	-	-	158
Coaching Staff	188	-	-	188	-
Insurance	349	-	-	349	308
Consumables	1,919	-	-	1,919	524
Play Equipment/Books Etc	4,713	-	-	4,713	2,569
Premises Costs	1,690	-	-	1,690	2,179
Office & Administrative Costs	588	-	-	588	291
IT	113	-	-	113	201
Training	903	-	-	903	725
Subscriptions & Compliance	501	-	-	501	503
Telephones	319	-	-	319	170
Uniforms	544	-	-	544	231
Waste Disposal	1,291	-	-	1,291	1,012
Miscellaneous	172	-	-	172	62
Accountancy	384	-	-	384	384
Events	600	-	-	600	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>62,523</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>62,523</b>	<b>57,514</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
Vacuum	-	-	-	-	219
Laptop	-	-	-	-	540
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>759</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>62,523</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>62,523</b>	<b>58,273</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 5,153</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 5,153</b>	<b>- 3,278</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>29,747</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,747</b>	<b>33,025</b>
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