

## **Report for Lordswood Under 5's Playgroup**

### **September 2022 - August 2023**

We continue to provide term time sessional care for children aged between 2 and 5 years old who live in and around Lordswood. We continue to accommodate children and their families from a range of backgrounds, religion and additional need. Many of our children receive funded places at either 15 hours or 30 hours a week through the government scheme. We continue to be a committee run organisation with our committee being made up from a mix of past parents, current parents and staff.

Since our last submission, we received our update visit from OFSTED in September 2022 where provision and developments were judged to be good. We suffered from the result of our OFSTED inspection in February 2022 where we were not able to take any funded children for the start of the new academic year. This impacted on the setting as we lost a substantial amount of income and had to cut staff hours to match the small number of fee-paying children we had on role at the time. Once we received the updated rating, we were able to take funded children once more and throughout the course of the 2022 / 2023 academic year slowly increased staff hours to match the ever-increasing number of children we were then able to accommodate at the setting. We have continued to maintain positive links with the community and local schools and through determination of the staff were able to build the setting back up so it could continue to flourish and grow. We have dealt with staff changes over the course of the year with some staff retiring or moving on to pastures new.

We have continued to provide our children with milk and healthy snacks throughout the day which we have funded ourselves combined with donations from parents, so no child misses out. We have also continued to provide cooking opportunities for the children which they have not been asked to pay for either, so no one misses out. We have continued to take the children out into the community to local libraries, on buses or to visit the shops where all costs have been met by the setting to ensure everyone can take part.

We have always helped children to develop skills in reading, games and talking about their adventures outside of the setting. We continue to provide our families with reading books they can share with each other, games they can take home to play as a family and even the bears which go home to be taken on adventures. These provide our children and their families with something to do together and then share with the rest of the setting. This continues to prove popular with everyone.

We have continued to develop our inside and outside areas throughout the year through volunteers helping with garden maintenance, replacing

broken toys and through donations of toys and equipment from our families. This have all been used to their maximum effect with the children and continue to provide excellent learning opportunities.

We have held raffles and sponsored walk events at Christmas and Easter for our children and families to take part in to help raise money for the setting. With the smaller numbers to begin with these didn't yield the amounts they had in the past, but all were put towards replacing broken toys, art, cooking and outside area toys.

We have continued to use our Facebook page and Parent mail to share communications with parents and develop our relationships with families even further. Parents have been given many opportunities to come into the setting to look at their child's folders, discuss progress and share music and story times with their child.

Despite a challenging year, we have continued to remain open and provide families in our community with childcare and opportunities no matter what their backgrounds or situations. We are here just as much for the parents as we are the children and have continued to support families with anything they need pointing them in the right direction for support.

We hope that the 2023 / 2024 year continues to see out setting grow and continue to offer more partnership as well as community links building on the foundations of what we have started.



**PAYMENTS SUMMARY**
**YEAR**
**SEPT 2022- AUG 2023**

	<i>Month</i>	<i>1 Total</i>	<i>2 Salaries</i>	<i>3 Rent and rates</i>	<i>4 Other prem costs</i>	<i>5 Catering costs</i>	<i>6 Consumables</i>	<i>7 Equipment</i>	<i>8 Office costs</i>	<i>9 Meeting costs</i>	<i>10 Other</i>
1	SEPTEMBER	<b>£11,050.09</b>	£9,539.52	£333.33	£610.32	£87.98	£177.20	£70.00	£155.79		£75.95
2	OCTOBER	<b>£11,384.26</b>	£10,196.64	£333.33	£144.09	£129.66	£280.04	£164.02	£125.98		£10.50
3	NOVEMBER	<b>£12,633.20</b>	£11,405.28	£333.33		£199.30	£300.25	£22.00	£120.54		£252.50
4	DECEMBER	<b>£11,953.40</b>	£10,976.98	£333.33		£71.49	£158.84	£65.38	£120.88		£226.50
5	JANUARY	<b>£12,224.84</b>	£10,159.81	£333.33	£908.76	£193.35	£19.99	£17.00	£295.74		£296.86
6	FEBRUARY	<b>£14,169.33</b>	£10,623.76	£916.15	£1,813.69	£133.76	£184.70	£197.44	£219.33		£80.50
7	MARCH	<b>£10,101.72</b>	£8,231.44	£916.33	£437.89	£200.09	£100.15	£11.58	£161.24		£43.00
8	APRIL	<b>£9,766.33</b>	£7,335.84	£520.53	£1,282.59	£69.55	£265.86		£135.97		£155.99
9	MAY	<b>£10,479.07</b>	£8,394.02	£333.33	£456.57	£166.53	£141.07	£445.98	£440.19		£101.38
10	JUNE	<b>£12,159.97</b>	£8,750.75	£517.33	£1,645.01	£157.99	£214.48	£444.42	£167.07		£262.92
11	JULY	<b>£10,198.20</b>	£9,224.54	£184.00	£154.18	£103.04	£25.00		£147.60		£359.84
12	AUGUST	<b>£10,111.90</b>	£7,912.43	£850.66	£1,225.51				£22.80		£100.50
TOTAL FOR YEAR		<b>£136,232.31</b>	<b>£112,751.01</b>	<b>£5,904.98</b>	<b>£8,678.61</b>	<b>£1,512.74</b>	<b>£1,867.58</b>	<b>£1,437.82</b>	<b>£2,113.13</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£1,966.44</b>

**LORDSWOOD UNDER 5's PLAYGROUP**

**SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS 1<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022 – 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2023**

**INCOME**

Fees funded	69,225.76
Fees parents/carers	26,940.50
Uniform	12.30
Donation	25.05
Bank Interest	234.68

**TOTAL** **£96,438.29**

Deficit for year (39,794.02)  
B/Fwd previous 62,582.78

**TOTAL FUNDS** **£22,788.76**

**EXPENDITURE**

Wages	112,751.01
Rent/rates	5,904.98
Premises	8,678.61
Catering	1,512.74
Consumables	1,867.58
Equipment	1,437.82
Training	796.36
Admin	2,226.01
Uniform	124.92
Other	932.28

**TOTAL** **£136,232.31**

Petty Cash 9.28  
Current account 4,624.02  
Deposit account 18,155.46

**TOTAL FUNDS** **£22,788.76**

**Other expenditure itemised**

Insurance	66.00
Gifts	397.78
Entertainer	100.00
Easter	32.50
Audit	50.00
Sm. Court	70.00
Signage	216.00

**Total** **£932.28**