



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 1 Sep 2023 **Period start date** **To:** 31 Aug 2024 **Period end date**

Charity name: MULBERRY PRE-SCHOOL

Charity registration number: 1062690

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Provide early years education for children aged 2 years to school age.
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	Early years education
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All trustees keep themselves up to date with all Charity Commission guidelines.

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	Enhanced the education and social skills of children aged 2 years to school age from a wide range of ethnic backgrounds.

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	We are in a better position financially this year but our profits have gone into building our reserves back up after a substantial outlay on building repairs.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We maintain reserves in order to pay redundancies should the setting close. We also need to ensure funds are available to maintain the up keep of the building.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£31,713.69
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	If the funding for 3-4 year olds does not increase and keep in line with increases in minimum/living wage rates and NI rates then we will always struggle to remain sustainable.

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	The majority of our children receive government funding (15 universal or 30 hours extended). We also fundraise to cover everything not covered by the inadequate funding rates.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Early Years Alliance constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	Follow the Early Years Alliance constitution
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	Nominated or volunteered at an AGM, voted on by members.

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	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Mulberry Pre-School
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1062690
Charity's principal address	Mulberry Pre-School Mulberry Road Marchwood Southampton SO40 4WB

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Neil Scott	Chairperson	Feb 23 - present	
2	Simone Pattison	Secretary	Nov 21 - present	
3	Josh Addison	Vice Chairperson	18 Oct 21 – present	
4	Kerry Mackay-Carey	Treasurer	Nov 21 – present	
6	Heather Charlesworth	Trustee	Dec 23 - present	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

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

Signature(s)	<i>SCPattison</i>	
Full name(s)	Simone Pattison	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	
Date	7 th July 2025	

MULBERRY PRE-SCHOOL END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS
SEPTEMBER 2023 - AUGUST 2024

INCOME

DAF - restricted funds	£1,243.63
Donation	£597.00
Early Years Pupil Premium	£668.88
Fees	£37,610.33
Fundraising	£2,688.92
Funding HCC	£124,733.57
Grants - restricted funds	£16,175.00
milk refunds	£266.65
Uniform	£506.45
other	£2,056.69
TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME	£186,547.12

EXPENDITURE

Art Consumables	£184.59
DAF	£167.85
DBS applications	£8.59
Early Years Alliance (PLA)	£115.91
Early Years Pupil Premium	£870.59
Fees reimbursement	£116.60
Fundraising expenditure & purchases	£2,592.89
Grants	£16,134.87
Insurance	£1,022.49
Kitchen & toilet consumables	£570.09
Lease	£2,625.00
Milk	£266.65
Office equipment	£15.40
Ofsted registration	£50.00
Pensions	£2,427.46
Pre-school equipment	£107.47
Printer (office) consumables	£37.56
Property enhancement	£300.00
Property/equipment maintenance	£5,821.47
Resources	£425.47
SAGE payroll	£459.84
Snacks	£481.58

Stationery	£6.77
Tapestry	£210.00
Tax & NI (HMRC)	£8,255.01
Telephone (including internet)	£1,891.58
Training/course fees	£763.20
Uniform expenditure	£793.91
Utilities - electric	£854.00
Utilities - gas	£1,368.03
Wages	£122,651.73
Website	£247.08
Other	£99.84
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£171,943.52
Excess of income over expenditure	£14,603.60



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

MULBERRY PRE-SCHOOL

On accounts for the year
ended

31 AUGUST 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1062690

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 / 2024**

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:

S. Wells

Date:

2/7/25

Name:

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

Address:

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.