

EARLYBIRDS PRE-SCHOOL (NEWTOWN)

England & Wales · Charity number 1083648

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2000-11-24

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO ENHANCE THE DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN PRIMARILY UNDER STATUTORY SCHOOL AGE BY ENCOURAGING PARENTS TO UNDERSTAND AND PROVIDE FOR THE NEEDS OF THEIR CHILDREN THROUGH COMMUNITY GROUPS AND BY:(A) OFFERING APPROPRIATE PLAY FACILITIES AND TRAINING COURSES, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT OF PARENTS TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THE ACTIVITIES OF SUCH GROUPS, ENSURING THAT SUCH GROUPS OFFER OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL CHILDREN WHATEVER THEIR RACE, CULTURE, RELIGION OR MEANS(B) ENCOURAGING THE STUDY OF THE NEEDS OF SUCH CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES AND PROMOTING PUBLIC INTEREST IN AND RECOGNITION OF SUCH NEEDS IN THE LOCAL AREAS(C) INSTIGATING AND ADHERING TO AND FURTHERING THE AIM OF THE PRE-SCHOOL LEARNING ALLIANCE.

Activities: Providing early years education.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** EARLYBIRDS PRE-SCHOOL (NEWTOWN)
- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-20	£96,346	£91,463	-	-
2023-08-20	£78,708	£84,701	-	-
2022-08-20	£67,042	£69,094	-	-
2021-08-20	£74,446	£67,658	-	-
2020-08-20	£64,799	£62,450	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Catherine Butler-Harris	Chair	2023-11-01
Amanda Haggar		2014-01-01
Sophia Laura King Lloyd		2023-11-23
Tom Hogben		2023-11-23

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Accounts



EARLYBIRDS PRESCHOOL

TRUSTEES REPORT 2023 to 2024

Earlybirds Preschool has continued to provide high quality, child focused early years education during the report period.

Over the course of this year, we have had 34 children in setting which is an increase from the previous year. Our staff team remains at 4 members. We are in the process of recruiting Maternity Cover for the Preschool Leader.

Management Committee

The committee remains stable and unchanged from last year.

Children's data has continued to be monitored for areas of improvement and learning & development opportunities within the staff team.

The preschool continues to receive positive feedback from parents and guardians.

Staffing

We continue to advertise for a Deputy Leader in the preschool. We have recruited a bank staff member to support with wrap around care in setting.

Agency staff fees have been used to cover sickness absence and support the rising demand for places following the introduction of the Working Families Funding for childcare.

Following the Coronavirus pandemic, Volunteers have not been reestablished in setting. This may be reviewed in the future.

Accounts

The number of children in setting has been high (34 children at end of school year) and therefore the preschool has generated a healthy income along with the local authority Early Years Funding, we continue to be financially stable. With a new Government initiative being announced for Early Years childcare for working families being extended (effective from 1st April 2024), an increase in hours being requested is anticipated. We already have 31 children enrolled for September 2023 start.

A review of our rates for non-funded hours is being carried out to ensure competitiveness and financial stability. This will be in line with new funding rates being announced by the Local Authority.

The preschool offers breakfast club and after school club to working parents/guardian's which provides further income for the preschool while serving as essential childcare for working families. This does provide some financial income and provides a benefit for working families when choosing a childcare setting.

A staff pay review is being established to be effective from 1st April 2025.

Outside Activities

We are fortunate enough to enjoy a rural environment, with the children visiting our school playground, church and village area on a regular basis.

Fundraising

We received a kind donation from the local Allotment Association which was used for additional learning resources to support the children's needs and development.

Thank you

We continue to thank the committee, staff team, parents and local community for their support to ensure the preschool stays in a financially secure position to provide high quality early years education in our rural community.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Earlybirds Preschool (Newtown)

1083648

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	8/21/2023	To	8/20/2024
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Funding	57,510.37	-	-	57,510.37	62,104.20
Parent Payments	38,444.93	-	-	38,444.93	16,011.73
Donations	132.64	-	-	132.64	500
Interest	258.17	-	-	258.17	92
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	96,346.11	-	-	96,346.11	78,708.35
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	96,346.11	-	-	96,346.11	78,708
A3 Payments					
Advertising	533.31	-	-	533.31	-
Expenses	365.98	-	-	365.98	643.92
HMRC	5,396.02	-	-	5,396.02	6,868.60
Child Lunches	5,609.14	-	-	5,609.14	-
Maintenance	180.00	-	-	180.00	-
Memberships	1,188.44	-	-	1,188.44	1,332.64
Pension	3,816.36	-	-	3,816.36	4,124.57
Rent	5,642.00	-	-	5,642.00	4,774.00
Resources	5,241.21	-	-	5,241.21	3,533.60
Supply Staff	7,879.15	-	-	7,879.15	3,548.70
Training	230.00	-	-	230.00	429.10
Utilities	3,919.00	-	-	3,919.00	6,675.75
Wages - Staff	51,462.02	-	-	51,462.02	52,769.84
Website	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	91,462.63	-	-	91,462.63	84,700.72
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	91,462.63	-	-	91,462.63	84,700.72
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,883.48	-	-	4,883.48	- 5,992.37
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	29,672.84	-	-	29,672.84	-
Cash funds this year end	34,556.32	-	-	34,556.32	- 5,992.37

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Treasurer's Account	7,984.73	-	-
	Reserve Account	26,571.59	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	34,556.32	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

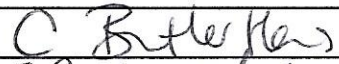
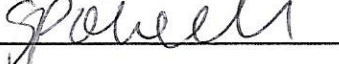
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	CATHERINE BURGER HARRIS	19.9.25
	SARAH POWELL	19.9.25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

EARLYBIRDS PRESCHOOL (NEWTOWN)

On accounts for the year ended

20 / 08 / 2024

Charity no (if any)

1083648

Set out on pages

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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 20 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:

J Przybycin

Date:

18 / 9 / 2025

Name:

JOANNE PRZYBYCIN

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

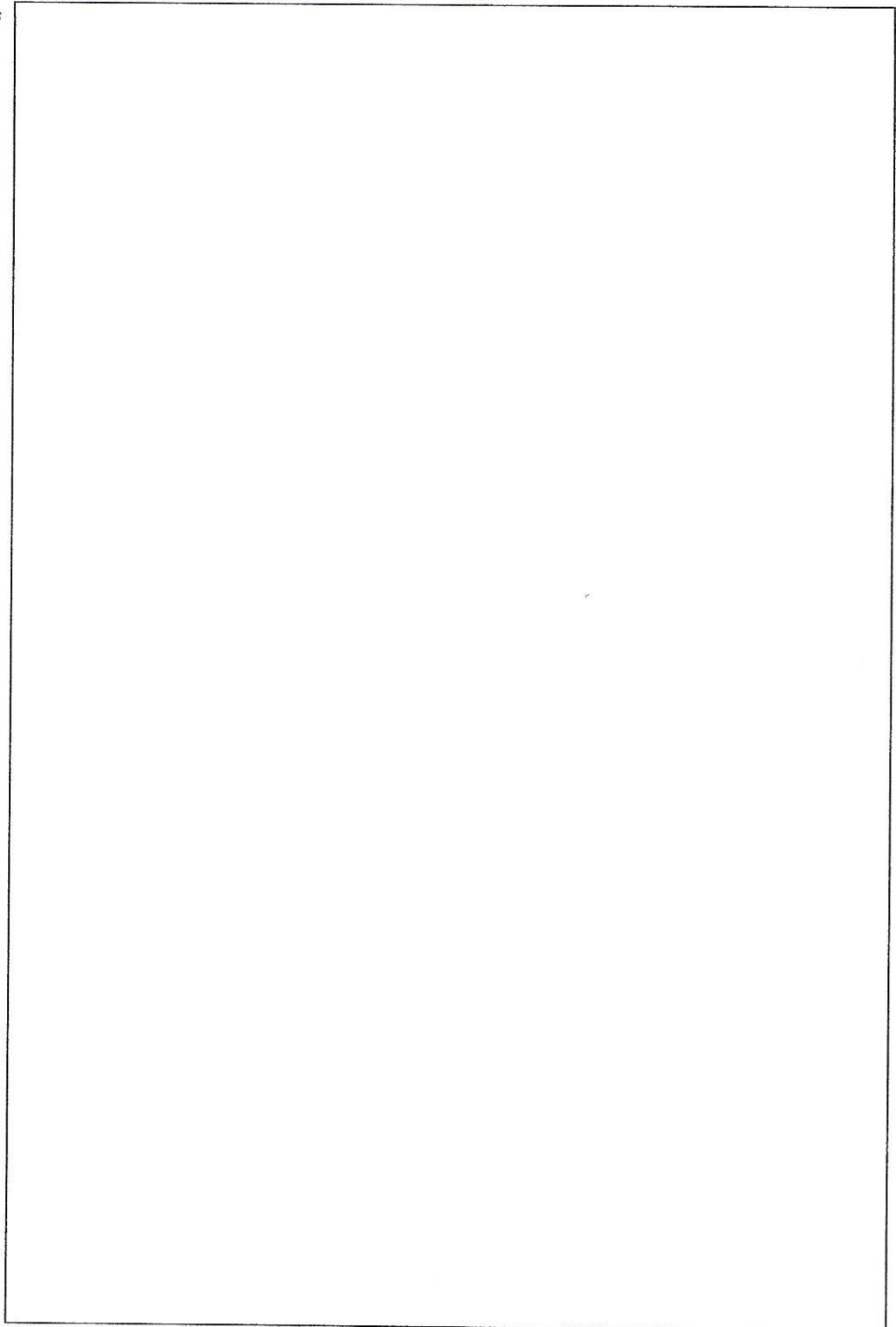
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Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



EARLYBIRDS PRE-SCHOOL (NEWTOWN)

England & Wales - Charity number 1083648

Accounts



EARLYBIRDS PRESCHOOL

TRUSTEES REPORT 2022 to 2023

Earlybirds Preschool has continued to provide high quality, child focused early years education during the report period.

Over the course of this year, we have had 28 children in setting which is an increase from the previous year. Our staff team of 4 included one member that “shielded” during the Covid-19 pandemic however has been consistent through the year and this is reflected in the increase in number of children attending.

Management Committee

This year saw changes in the pre-school both with a new Pre-school Leader (internal promotion) and a new committee.

The previous Chair of Committee retired from her role alongside her Head Teacher position in the adjoining Infant School. We were fortunate to recruit a new Chair of Committee, Cath Butler Harris who works in the Infant School and is committed to supporting the preschool in providing high quality early years education.

Alongside a new Chair came a new committee with 1 previous member staying on. This is a common occurrence in preschool settings where parents move on with their children changing schools. We are fortunate to have built a good team to champion the work of the preschool.

Children’s data has continued to be monitored for areas of improvement and learning & development opportunities within the staff team.

The preschool continues to receive positive feedback from parents and guardians, including the feedback questions which are issued 2 weeks after enrolment.

Staffing

The internal promotion of Deputy Leader to Preschool Leader has created as opportunity for development and a further internal promotion for a staff member to move into the Deputy Role.

Further staff changes include the Administrator resigning and recruitment of a replacement. The handover period of the Administrators was lengthy due to the role being a work-from-home based role and the many varied tasks.

Agency staff fees have been used to cover sickness absence where required but this is anticipated to reduce.

Following the Coronavirus pandemic, Volunteers have not been reestablished in setting. This may be reviewed in the future.

Accounts

The number of children in setting has been high (26 children at end of school year) and therefore the preschool has generated a healthy income along with the local authority Early Years Funding, we continue to be financially stable. With a new Government initiative being announced for Early Years childcare for working families being extended (effective from 1st April 2024), an increase in hours being requested is anticipated. We already have 31 children enrolled for September 2023 start.

A review of our rates for non-funded hours is being carried out to ensure competitiveness and financial stability. This will be in line with new funding rates being announced by the Local Authority.

The preschool started to offer breakfast club and after school club to working parents/guardian's which provides further income for the preschool while serving as essential childcare for working families. The financial benefit of this service continues to be monitored and evaluated to ensure its cost effectiveness.

A staff pay review is being established to be effective from 1st April 2024.

Outside Activities

We are fortunate enough to enjoy a rural environment, with the children visiting our school playground, church and village area on a regular basis.

Fundraising

We received a kind donation from the local Allotment Association which was used for additional learning resources to support the children's needs and development.

Thank you

We continue to thank the previous committee, new committee, staff team, parents and local community for their support to ensure the preschool stays in a financially secure position to provide high quality early years education in our rural community.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Earlybirds Preschool (Newtown)

1083648

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period from	21/08/2022	To	20/08/2023
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Funding	62,104	-	-	62,104	48,130
Parent Payment	16,012	-	-	16,012	18,912
Donations	500	-	-	500	-
Interest on savings account	92	-	-	92	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	78,708	-	-	78,708	67,042
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	78,708	-	-	78,708	67,042
A3 Payments					
Advertising - Recruitment	-	-	-	-	16
Expenses	644	-	-	644	400
HMRC	6,869	-	-	6,869	4,619
Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
Memberships	1,333	-	-	1,333	1,035
Pension	4,125	-	-	4,125	3,050
Rent	4,774	-	-	4,774	7,325
Resources	3,534	-	-	3,534	4,307
Supply Staff	3,549	-	-	3,549	3,030
Training	429	-	-	429	370
Utilities	6,676	-	-	6,676	-
Wages - Staff	52,770	-	-	52,770	43,344
Website	-	-	-	-	1,597
Sub total	84,701	-	-	84,701	69,094
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	84,701	-	-	84,701	69,094
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 5,992	-	-	- 5,992	- 2,052
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	35,665	-	-	35,665	-
Cash funds this year end	29,673	-	-	29,673	- 2,052

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Treasurer's Account	11,809	-	-
	Reserve Account	17,863	-	-
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	Total cash funds	29,673	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

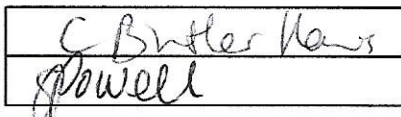
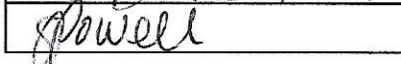
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B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	C. BUTLER HARRIS	07/6/24
	S. POWELL	17/6/24



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

EARLYBIRDS PRESCHOOL (NEWTOWN)

**On accounts for the year
ended**

20th AUGUST 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1083648

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 20/08/2023

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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Signed:

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Date:

14/6/2024

Name:

JOANNE PRZYBYCIN

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EARLYBIRDS PRE-SCHOOL (NEWTOWN)

England & Wales - Charity number 1083648

Accounts



EARLYBIRDS PRESCHOOL

TRUSTEES REPORT 2021 – 2022

Earlybirds Preschool has continued to provide high quality, child focused early years education during the report period. We regained normality after the 2020 Coronavirus pandemic and during the 21/22 academic year had 30 children registered with the setting. As with the natural progression of children in early years setting, we had 17 children leave to start Infant School. The number anticipated to quickly recover with the new intake in September 2022 bringing the number of children attending to 23 with an expected further increase.

Management Committee

The Committee remained unchanged over the year and continued to support the provision of the preschool with their expertise and involvement.

The preschool was Ofsted inspected in September 2019 and the Leader managed the preschool team to continue to deliver the early years provision while continually monitoring and reviewing the standards within setting against the setting development plan.

Children's data has continued to be monitored for areas of improvement and learning & development opportunities within the staff team.

The preschool continues to receive positive feedback from parents and guardians, including the feedback questions which are issued 2 weeks after enrolment.

Staffing

We have an established staff team with Leader, Deputy Leader, Administrator with 2 members of staff being recruited. 1 staff member left but due to the role being minimal hours, was not fulfilled.

Agency staff fees have been used to cover sickness absence where required but this is anticipated to reduce.

Following the Coronavirus pandemic, Volunteers have not been reestablished in setting. This may be reviewed in the future.

Accounts

The number of children in setting has been high and therefore the preschool has generated a healthy income along with the local authority Early Years Funding, we continue to be financially stable.

Our landlord (the adjoining Infant School/Local Authority) issued a rent increase which was back dated for a 3-year period This meant a large invoice and a substantial cost to the preschool during this year. Due to the preschool management committee ensuring the financial security has been planned, a reserve account was able to cover the cost and the reserve account continues to recover and provide financial stability.

The preschool continues to offer breakfast club and after school club to working parents/guardian's which provides further income for the preschool while serving as essential childcare for working families. The financial benefit of this service continues to be monitored and evaluated to ensure its cost effectiveness.

Outside Activities

As yet, following the coronavirus pandemic, outside activities have not yet returned to pre-covid levels however, we continue to explore our local community and rural environment with the children enjoying trips and activities in their local surroundings. We are fortunate enough to enjoy a rural environment, with the children visiting our local park, church and village area on a regular basis.

We continue to provide a good level of social development while holding seasonal celebrations including a Christmas party with magician and entertainment, end of school year celebrations and preschool graduation.

Fundraising

Following the cancellation of funding raising in 2020, we have not yet established new fundraising events and the Friends of Newtown School (FONS Committee) has not yet reconvened. We hope that this will be reestablished and provide the preschool with funds for investment in new equipment for the children or contribute towards some activities/experiences with a learning focus.

Thank you

We continue to thank the committee, staff team, parents and local community for their support to ensure the preschool stays in a financially secure position to provide high quality early years education in our rural community.



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	21/08/2021	To	20/08/2022
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Funding	48,130	-	-	48,130	54,409
Parent Payments	18,912	-	-	18,912	17,783
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	67,042	-	-	67,042	72,192
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	67,042	-	-	67,042	72,192
A3 Payments					
Advertising - Recruitment	16	-	-	16	-
Expenses	400	-	-	400	403
HMRC	4,619	-	-	4,619	5,523
Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
Memberships	1,035	-	-	1,035	937
Mobile	-	-	-	-	-
Pension	3,050	-	-	3,050	3,443
Rent	7,325	-	-	7,325	2,372
Resources	4,307	-	-	4,307	2,375
Supply Staff	3,030	-	-	3,030	704
Training	370	-	-	370	294
Uniform	-	-	-	-	158
Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
Wages - Staff	43,344	-	-	43,344	49,197
Website	1,597	-	-	1,597	-
Sub total	69,094	-	-	69,094	65,406
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	69,094	-	-	69,094	65,406
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,051	-	-	- 2,051	6,786
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	37,716	-	-	37,716	-
Cash funds this year end	35,665	-	-	35,665	6,786

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Treasurers Account	18,494	-	
	Reserve Account	17,171	-	
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	35,665	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

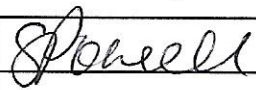
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
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Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	SARAH POWELL	2.2.24
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
EARLY BIRDS PRESCHOOL (NEWTOWN)

On accounts for the year ended

20. 8. 2022

Charity no (if any)

1083648

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 20 / 08 / 2022

Responsibilities and basis of report

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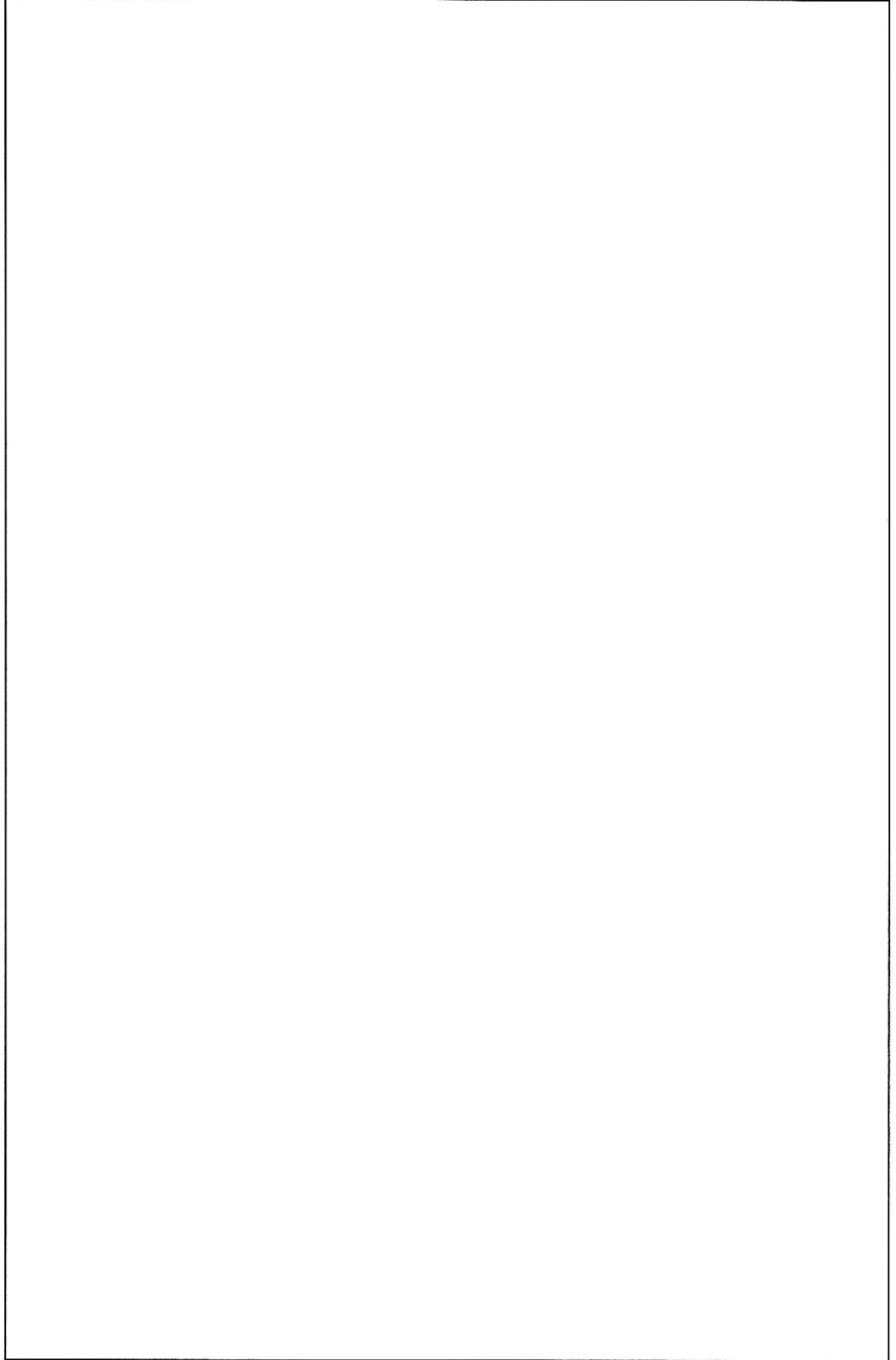
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EARLYBIRDS PRE-SCHOOL (NEWTOWN)

England & Wales - Charity number 1083648

Accounts



EARLYBIRDS PRESCHOOL

TRUSTEES REPORT 2020 – 2021

Earlybirds Preschool has continued to provide high quality, child focused early years education during the report period. We have been between lockdowns through the past year and now providing early years education while adhering to social distancing and “bubbles” within setting. As an early years education setting, we have been supporting children through the challenges that lockdowns have presented them, including social development.

Over the course of this year, we have had 28 children in setting which is an increase from the previous year. Our staff team of 4 included one member that “shielded” during the Covid-19 pandemic however has been consistent through the year and this is reflected in the increase in number of children attending.

Management Committee

The Committee remained unchanged over the year and continued to support the provision of the preschool with their expertise and involvement.

The preschool was Ofsted inspected in September 2019 and the Leader managed the preschool team to continue to deliver the early years provision while continually monitoring and reviewing the standards within setting against the setting development plan.

Children’s data has continued to be monitored for areas of improvement and learning & development opportunities within the staff team.

The preschool continues to receive positive feedback from parents and guardians, including the feedback questions which are issued 2 weeks after enrolment.

Staffing

We have an established staff team with Leader, Deputy Leader, Administrator with 1 members of staff.

We were fortunate to have a student placement with us during this time who took on paid hours when needed. This helped with consistency during lockdowns.

Agency staff fees have been used to cover sickness absence where required but this is anticipated to reduce.

Following the Coronavirus pandemic, Volunteers have not been reestablished in setting. This may be reviewed in the future.

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The number of children in setting has been high and therefore the preschool has generated a healthy income along with the local authority Early Years Funding, we continue to be financially stable.

The expenses associated with maintaining hygiene guidelines during the pandemic were a significant cost, especially PPE.

The preschool started to offer breakfast club and after school club to working parents/guardian's which provides further income for the preschool while serving as essential childcare for working families. The financial benefit of this service continues to be monitored and evaluated to ensure its cost effectiveness.

Outside Activities

We are fortunate enough to enjoy a rural environment, with the children visiting our school playground, church and village area on a regular basis.

We were unable to provide our usual seasonal activities due to the pandemic restrictions. We celebrated activities for a week so all children in "bubbles" were included.

Fundraising

All fundraising activities were cancelled due to the pandemic restrictions so we have had no income from fundraising this year.

Thank you

We continue to thank the committee, staff team, parents and local community for their support to ensure the preschool stays in a financially secure position to provide high quality early years education in our rural community.



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	21/08/2020	To	20/08/2021
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Funding	54409	-	-	54,409	49,729
Parent Payments	17783	-	-	17,783	12,970
Donation	-	-	-	-	100
Deposit	-	-	-	-	2,000
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	72,192	-	-	72,192	64,799
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	72,192	-	-	72,192	64,799
A3 Payments					
Advertising - Recruitment	-	-	-	-	162
Expenses	403	-	-	403	2,904
HMRC	5,523	-	-	5,523	3,206
Maintenance	-	-	-	-	102
Memberships	937	-	-	937	864
Mobile	-	-	-	-	32
Pension	3,443	-	-	3,443	3,188
Rent	2,372	-	-	2,372	1,897
Resources	2,375	-	-	2,375	872
Supply Staff	704	-	-	704	292
Training	294	-	-	294	-
Uniform	158	-	-	158	-
Utilities	-	-	-	-	3,691
Wages - Staff	49,197	-	-	49,197	45,242
Website	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	65,405	-	-	65,405	62,452
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	65,405	-	-	65,405	62,452
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,787	-	-	6,787	2,347
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	30,929	-	-	30,929	-
Cash funds this year end	37,716	-	-	37,716	2,347

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Treasurers Account	26,145	-	
	Reserve Account	11,571	-	
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	Total cash funds	37,716	-	-
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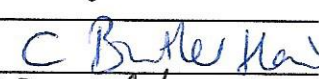
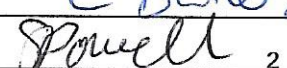
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
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		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	CATHERINE BURGER	24/1/24
	SARAH POWELL	31/01/24



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
EARLYBIRDS PRESCHOOL (NEWTOWN)

On accounts for the year ended

20.08.2021

Charity no (if any)

1083648

Set out on pages

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Signed:

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EARLYBIRDS PRE-SCHOOL (NEWTOWN)

England & Wales - Charity number 1083648

Accounts



EARLYBIRDS PRE-SCHOOL TRUSTEES REPORT 2019-2020

Earlybirds Pre-School have had a very successful (albeit difficult year) due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The year was interrupted in March 2020 due to the pandemic when all schools and early years' settings were told to close.

We remained open to provide care for children who have a parents that are essential workers. We reopened to a wider group of children in June with numbers limited to 8 in line with the government guidance surrounding 'bubbles'.

Attendance numbers have been good, however we have 16 children leaving in September 2020 to start Year R, meaning our numbers for the next academic year will be lower than usual.

Management Committee

The Committee members have provided support and challenge to the setting throughout the year to ensure of high quality provision and that statutory procedures are being followed. We have a strong team of committee members who have committed to specific roles within the committee, which will develop some 'expertise' amongst them.

All our trustees are extremely supportive and play a very important role in the organisation of the pre-school.

A very big thank you, to everyone who has been involved on the committee and to all of the parents, who have taken such a fundamental role, in the organising and running of fundraising events. Without this much needed support the pre-school would not be as well resourced as it currently is.

Ofsted

Earlybirds was inspected in September 2019, just 3 days after opening for the Autumn term, with our new leader Nicola Proctor working alongside Lucy Chambers. We were inspected using the new framework and received a good grade.

We had some fantastic feedback and were pleased with the result. We have some actions to address and areas to work towards and have put these actions into place immediately, including ensuring we work together with other settings when children attend more than one setting, and making sure transition paperwork is passed to us to use as a baseline when children come to us from other settings. This allows us to work more consistently and improves the children's transition and settling in.

A setting development plan has been written which addresses the key actions from the last OFSTED report and from data gathered from the children's assessment data showing their strengths and areas of weakness. We are currently focusing on improving our partnerships with parents and support for families at home, and the children's language and communication development.

Staffing

In September 2019 we recruited our new Pre-School Leader, Mrs Nicola Proctor, who joins us with 20 years of early years' experience and has worked as a pre-school manager in her previous role.

Mrs Moro left us at Christmas to start a new role in a forest school pre-school. Miss Anne Slade was appointed the position of deputy leader and we now have 3 full time members of staff working within the pre-school which is more consistent for the children attending.

We have a volunteer who has been working with us for 2 days per week whilst she is completing her early years training. She is very flexible and has provided cover for us due to staff sickness or training and during the coronavirus pandemic when we had vulnerable staff working from home. Having a team of consistent staff ensures continuity for our small setting.

Accounts

Our numbers have been high and we have had a good income this year from both funded and paying families. Our staffing costs have been high, but we have been paying the added cost of the previous pre-school leader this year.

Our numbers are looking lower for the next academic year, due to losing a high number of children to school in September. The coronavirus pandemic has had a negative impact on families requiring spaces for the children. We are focusing on marketing and advertising for the next term, including investigating the viability and requirement for wrap around care.

To ensure staff do not lose hours and to protect the pre-schools financial position we are keen to offer breakfast clubs and after school care. This will hopefully attract more families as it means we can

provide flexible care to cover parents' working hours. Staff will work on a rota to cover both sessions, without having to increase their hours and the staff costs.

Our administrator has developed a budget spreadsheet, showing expenditure over the year, which is broken down into different outgoings so we can better track our spending. We have used the previous years' data to budget for this year.

Our treasurer keeps us informed regularly (through the committee meeting) of our financial position, and we are able to discuss expenditure and any cost cutting measures as necessary. We have an account with contingency funds. In the event that the preschool would have to close, the fund would meet the costs that would be incurred and limit the liability of the committee members.

Outside Activities

Unfortunately, due to the coronavirus pandemic we were unable to plan any outside trips or visits for the children this year. We are also unable to have a leaving performance for the children who were leaving to start year R in September.

We did have a Christmas party for the children, with Tony Spaghetti performing his magic show, which the children all thoroughly enjoyed. The children all took part in a Christmas Nativity play, which was attended by parents and wider family members and was a great success. We were extremely proud of all the children.

Fundraising

Our Christmas Fair was a great success. FONs have asked us for a wish list and agreed to purchase us an Easy Listener CD player with 6 headphones and story CDs to support the children's listening, literacy and ICT development.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel our main fundraising event this year due to the coronavirus pandemic. We were not able or allowed, due to 'lockdown' rules, to hold our annual Easter Egg Hunt at Bere Woods.

The committee agreed to transfer £2000 from our fundraising account into our main account so that the leader could invest the money into making improvements to the pre-school based on the needs of the children. We used some money to improve our reading area and some to make improvements to the outside area including buying a new water tray and sand pit, and storage so the children can access resources more independently. There is still money left in the fundraising account which is a great position to be in.



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	8/21/2019	To	8/20/2020
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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 £
A1 Receipts				
Deposit	2,000	-	-	2,000
Funding	49,729	-	-	49,729
Parent Payments	12,970	-	-	12,970
Donation	100	-	-	100
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	64,799	-	-	64,799
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	64,799	-	-	64,799
A3 Payments				
Advertising	162	-	-	162
Expenses	2,904	-	-	2,904
HMRC	3,206	-	-	3,206
Maintenance	102	-	-	102
Memberships	864	-	-	864
Mobile	32	-	-	32
Pension	3,188	-	-	3,188
Rent	1,897	-	-	1,897
Resources	872	-	-	872
Supply	292	-	-	292
Utilities	3,691	-	-	3,691
Wages	45,242	-	-	45,242
Website	-	-	-	-
Sub total	62,450	-	-	62,450
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	62,450	-	-	62,450
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,348	-	-	2,348
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	30,297	-	-	30,297
Cash funds this year end	32,645	-	-	32,645

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Accounts	32,652	-
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		-	-
	Total cash funds	32,652	-
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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

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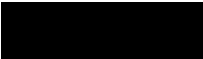
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Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Earlybirds Preschool (Newtown Soberton)		
On accounts for the year ended	20/06/2020	Charity no (if any)	1083648
Set out on pages			

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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 this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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